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Hearst Wants Miners Hungry

AN EDITORIAL

IF THE COAL MINERS can be starved, they will be forced back into the mines without a contract. That is how the Hearst and Scripps-Howard press figures it. That is why the Hearst and Scripps-Howard newspapers in the mining areas are screaming like mad dogs about the "Communist plot" to bring bread and milk to the brave Americans who are defying the coal corporations in a life-and-death struggle to defend their trade union.

It seems the Communists and the Daily Worker readers are contributing food and clothing to the miners! What a crime! It seems the Communists and leftwing unions were among the first to urge that the United Mine Workers members be given every kind of labor solidarity and practical help in their fight. Such is the raving discovery splashed by stoop-pigeon scribblers across the front pages of the Hearst rags in all the mine areas and big cities.

Any child can see what these labor-hating rags are up to. They want

to starve the miners. They supported the union-smashing injunction issued by Judge Keech. They supported the Taft-Hartley slave law. They supported the coal corporations at every step in the bitter struggle for a decent trade union contract. Now they yelp about the "plot" of the Communists to feed the miners' children.

But how about the \$500,000 sent to the miners by the CIO steel workers? How about the \$1,000 a month pledged by the CIO auto local in Chevrolet? And the other auto locals? What about the letter of thanks sent to the American Labor Party by John L. Lewis for its food relief? Such is the "Communist plot" discovered by the Big Business newspapers which would like nothing better than to see the miners weakened by hunger. These labor-hating papers want the miners to lose their fight. They know the miners are fighting the battle for all labor.

IF THESE JOURNALISTIC FAKERS want to show their desire to save the miners from their pipe-dream "plot" why don't the Hearst and Scripps-Howard papers rush

food and clothing to the miners to help them get a decent contract?

If they are so afraid of a coal shortage, why don't they demand that the coal operators cease endangering our nation's economy by their arrogant refusal to sign a decent union contract?

These newspapers have manufactured the lie that the food coming from the Communists is mixed with "propaganda." Do they mean that the Daily Worker wants the miners to win their contract? We plead guilty to that charge. What they really mean is that all the food sent to the miners by unions, and other citizens, is itself "propaganda."

Don't let the Hearst press and the red-baiters snatch food out of the mouths of the miners' families behind the old, stale cry of a "red plot." The real plot is the Hearst-coal owners' plot to starve the miners into submission. Don't let anybody block the old-time labor solidarity which helped form the American labor movement. The miners need food, money, medicine, clothing, etc. That's all that counts. Rush your help now to the miners.

WORLD CHURCH BODY CALLS H-BOMB 'A SIN AGAINST GOD'

GENEVA, Feb. 27.—The executive committee of the World Council of Churches denounced the hydrogen bomb in a declaration here urging a "gigantic new effort for peace."

The statement issued last Friday called the H-bomb a "sin against God." The council comprises representatives of a majority of the world's Protestant denominations.

The declaration called upon "governments of nations" to "enter into negotiations once again and to do everything in their power to bring the present tragic deadlock to an end."

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CHILDREN line up in a Shanghai clinic for preventive treatment against trachoma, an eye disease. They receive medical and educational attention through Mme. Sun Yat-sen's China Welfare Fund. A Friendship Cargo of Medical supplies is being collected here by the China Welfare Appeal, 439 Fourth Ave.

Rockwell Kent Takes Plane On Peace Mission to Paris

By Louise Mitchell

Rockwell Kent, artist and author, yesterday boarded a plane for Paris to be America's voice for peace.

"My stake in peace as an individual is great," he emphasized at LaGuardia Field, "and my stake in peace as an American is even greater. The lives of all the people of the world are at stake now." Kent, who is president of the

International Workers Order, will be part of a delegation appearing before the French Parliament with peace proposals in behalf of the 700,000,000 trade unionists, peasants, women and youth who are members of the World Congress of the Partisans of the Peace.

The other American delegate, Johannes Steel, has already left. Some 100,000 delegates are expected to gather in Paris within

the next few days. Peace missions will approach various governments to plead the people's cause. Delegations are scheduled in the United States, Mexico, Italy, Belgium, Holland, and the Soviet Union. The Spanish artist, Pablo Picasso; the Very Rev. Hewlett Johnson, Dean of Canterbury and Ivor Montagu, British film producer, are applying for visas to the (Continued on Page 8)



PICASSO

Student Parley Asks Michigan Peace Days

Special to the Daily Worker

ANN ARBOR, Mich., Feb. 27.—A proposal that Gov. Mennen Williams proclaim an official peace week in Michigan was passed unanimously at the Democracy in Education Conference held here last weekend. The resolution was submitted by Professor Preston Slosson of the University of Michigan.

The conference was attended by 185 delegates from 20 student organizations, coming from six universities in Michigan as well as by faculty members from Wayne University, the University of Michigan and Michigan State College. The conference was sponsored by a coalition of organizations and individuals.

The conference by the panel of discrimination in education called for a mass student pressure on the special session of the state legislature March 15 for the passage of an FEPC law and a fair educational practices law.

Students in the academic freedom panel unanimously agreed that academic freedom for students must include the defense for the rights of student Communists. "We go all the way on the question of academic freedom, and that includes Communists," one of the reporters for the panel told the delegates. The academic freedom panel also condemned the "loyalty questionnaire" required of all students by Michigan State College.

ASK EQUAL RIGHTS

The conference heard three urgent pleas for the defense of the rights of all people by well-known speakers. "Freedom is indivisible, is the way Rev. Charles A. Hill, national leader of the Progressive Party, put it in his address to the conference.

"If we allow labels to frighten us, we won't be able to accomplish anything. There is a crisis in American education today. If we allow them to control our minds they control us."

O. John Rogge, former assistant U. S. Attorney General, told of

the attacks on the Bill of Rights in the case of the Trenton Six, the case of the 11 Communist leaders and the Christoffel case.

"The tragedy of these cases is that it always seems to be someone else," Rogge said. "I always figured it would never happen to me, even after I had been in the middle of these events. Then it happened to me when the judge in the Trenton Six case dismissed me as the lawyer for my clients." Rogge changed the usual procedure of meetings by asking the audience what they thought could be done to wake the American people up to the stark danger they are in.

Rev. Kaufman of Sunfield, Mich., made a plea for liberalism, and participation by all of the people in democratic government.

Pastors Flay H-Bomb Moves

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Feb. 27.—The Rev. W. H. Marmion of St. Mary's Episcopal Church here said the building of an H-bomb "is a very terrible thing." He opposes the use of weapons as the way to peace. The Rev. Marmion said that "a meeting of the heads of the large countries would be a step in the right direction"

Another Birmingham minister, the Rev. J. L. Ware of the Trinity Baptist Church, a Negro congregation, said the H-bomb would not bring peace. He also felt that a conference of Truman and Stalin would help the cause of peace.

Kuomintang Planes Bomb 2 U. S. Ships at Tsingtao

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Two American merchant ships, Flying Clipper and Pioneer Dale, were attacked from the air today in the harbor of Tsingtao, China, by Kuomintang planes, presumably from a Formosa base. The State Department ordered a full

Chiang's B-25s Bomb Trains

HOIHOW, Hainan Island, Feb. 27.—Kuomintang Air Force headquarters here announced that B-25 medium bombers made a further attempt today to wreck the Sheklung Bridge on the Canton-Kowloon road and heavily damaged a train near the station.

Other plans hit two sizable craft in the harbor at Canton and strafed six trucks on a highway near British territory.

investigation by U.S. consulate officers in the Orient.

The State Department said the Flying Clipper, operated by the Isbrandtsen line of New York, was bombed and strafed as it lay at anchor. First radio reports from the ship's captain gave no details as to casualties or damage.

The United States Line announced at New York that the Pioneer Dale, an 8,000-ton vessel, was strafed as it approached the Tsingtao breakwater. A bomb fell about a ship's length astern.

One crewman was "slightly injured." Damage to the ship was said to be "trifling."

Department spokesman Michael J. McDermott said additional information is being sought from U.S. diplomats throughout the Orient—presumably including Formosa.

The Department has mildly protested previous Kuomintang attacks on U.S. shipping. The United States does not officially recognize the Kuomintang blockade as legal.

The Isbrandtsen line has repeatedly demanded U.S. naval escorts for its ships, but all such requests have been rejected.

The United States Lines said the Pioneer Dale put out for Japan soon after the attack.

Scientists Ask New A-Control Plan

Dr. Hugh C. Wolfe, chairman of the Federation of American Scientists, yesterday called upon President Truman to appoint a commission to draw up new proposals for control of atomic energy as part of a general disarmament program.

Dr. Wolfe's stand, taken in an article in the United Nations World, followed closely upon the statement of Dr. Leo Szilard, top-ranking nuclear physicist, that the hydrogen bomb could create an atomic dust cloud that would destroy every living thing on earth. Dr. Szilard, of the University of Chicago, played a major role in developing the wartime atom bomb.

Speaking at a University of Chicago Round Table broadcast over NBC Sunday, Dr. Szilard said that inclusion of other elements in the hydrogen bomb could have the effect of charging the earth's atmosphere with radioactive dust

which could contaminate the entire surface of the earth. About 500 tons of heavy hydrogen, which would yield 50 tons of neutrons, would be required to wipe out all living things from the earth, Dr. Szilard stated.

Three other leading atomic scientists who participated in the broadcast with Dr. Szilard agreed with the picture of horror that he painted. The three scientists were Dr. Hans Bethe, of Cornell University; Dr. Harrison Brown, of the University of Chicago; and Dr. Frederick Seitz, of the University of Illinois.

WINDS OF POISON

The radioactive dust cloud, said Dr. Szilard, would be made by surrounding the H-bomb with harmless chemical elements, which would be made radioactive by the H-bomb's explosion. These radioactive neutrons would then be

driven round the earth by the prevailing winds and would gradually kill off all life.

Dr. Wolfe in his article said that the U. S. had no reason to believe that it could develop an H-bomb any faster than could the Soviet Union, and warned against repeating the mistake of underestimating Soviet physics as was done on the uranium bomb. It will take at least 12 months, he said, for the U. S. to be able to produce the first experimental H-bomb.

In urging President Truman to take new steps toward atomic control, Dr. Wolfe linked atomic energy with conventional armaments. In taking this position, he broke with the policy the U. S. has pursued in the UN of separating atomic energy from disarmament. The Soviets have insisted that atomic energy must be included in any general disarmament program.

To Build Tibet Freedom Roads

HONG KONG, Feb. 27.—Chu Teh, commander-in-chief of the Chinese People's Liberation Army, has expressed hope to a Tibetan delegation that the Tibetan people would aid the Liberation Army by "carrying out road repairs, transporting grain and helping overcome all the difficulties in the way of speedy liberation of Tibet."

Chu's message, reported by the Peking radio, was given in reply to a letter delivered by the Tibetan delegates expressing the "yearnings of the Tibetan people for speedy liberation."

8 Bishops Back Rev. Melish Against Ouster

Powerful support within his own church for the Rev. John Howard Melish was revealed here yesterday when eight bishops and 1,123 clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church asked permission to file a brief in his behalf when his appeal against his ouster is heard by the Appellate Division.

Rev. Melish was ousted from the Church of the Holy Trinity in Brooklyn last year by Bishop James P. DeWolfe who acted on the application of nine of 11 vestrymen of the church.

In a vote taken by members of the congregation, however, more than 70 percent voted against the ouster. The issue was the refusal of Rev. Melish to remove his son, Rev. William Howard Melish, as his associate. The younger Rev. Melish was under attack because of his activities on behalf of U.S.-Soviet friendship.

The legal move in support of Rev. Melish was made by Samuel Thorne, an attorney and leading Episcopal layman of 15 William St., in behalf of the Rev. Joseph F. Fletcher, professor of Practical Theology and Social Studies at the Episcopal Theological School in Cambridge, Mass. Rev. Fletcher has been an Episcopal priest for 20 years.

AFFECTS CLERGY'S RIGHTS

Prof. Fletcher's affidavit asserted that the issues involved in Rev. Melish's appeal from the trial court ruling which sustained his ouster affected the rights of all clergy and congregations of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

The impressive array of support (Continued on Page 9)

Miners' Trial Is Continued As Owners Suspend Talks

Bittelman Birthday To Be Celebrated



BITTELMAN

The 60th birthday of Alexander Bittelman, general secretary of the Morning Freiheit Association, will be celebrated at Webster Hall Sunday evening. Chicago and Detroit will also hold celebrations Sunday.

The Cleveland celebration will be held March 7.

In Philadelphia, a delegation will be elected Saturday evening to participate in the New York affair.

Special to the Daily Worker

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—The United Mine Workers today pleaded innocent to the contempt of court charges brought against them by District Court Judge Richmond B. Keech. Appearing before Keech this morning to stand trial, the

union, represented by four attorneys, again asked Keech to dismiss the charges. UMW attorney Welly K. Hopkins insisted that the 370,000 striking bituminous miners were acting "individually" without direction from the union in refusing to abide by Keech's back-to-work order.

A Pittsburgh district coal company broke the operators' front today.

Joseph Batcher, president of (Continued on Page 9)

Hungry Miners Read Demos' Menu

BELLAIRE, O., Feb. 27.—The latest story told by the coal miners in the Ohio Valley regarding their unwillingness to return to work is to this effect:

"We read about President Truman and the Democrats eating that \$100 plate Jackson Day dinner. It gave us indigestion and we haven't been able to work since."

Philly Sea Unions Vote Miners Aid

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 27.—The Maritime Workers Committee, comprising 14 CIO, AFL and independent waterfront unions, has voted to start a citywide campaign for funds and food for the striking miners.

Miners Ignore Hearst's Attempt to Blockade Food

By Art Shields

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 27.—The strikebreaking newspapers and radio broadcasters here are deeply disappointed in the coal miners, who insist on eating the good foods trucked in by their friends during the big fight. Day by day the Sun Telegraph, a Hearst paper,

and The Press, a Roy Howard paper, are warning the coal diggers against eating flour, bacon, canned goods and beans that are coming in from their friends on the outside.

The radio chains followed suit. Yet day by day the miners reject the advice of the employers' mouthpieces and accept the food donations with thanks.

Many tons of food have been accepted from progressive trade unions, from the American Labor Party of New York, and from readers of the Daily Worker and from other workingclass groups.

The strikebreaking papers were especially upset about the five tons of food that the Daily Worker trucked into the Mine, where 1,100 miners are striking for a contract from the H. C. Frick Co., a subsidiary of the United States Steel Corp.

And day by day the local papers ran rumors that the Mine miners were rejecting the food shipments.

RUMORS NAILED

But yesterday a picture on the front page of the Hearst paper made hash of these rumors.

The picture showed a Mine miner walking out of the Italian

club, where the Daily Worker food had been unloaded.

The miner carried a big shopping bag, loaded with canned goods from the Daily Worker's readers.

And his mouth was set in a determined line that showed that he wasn't going to let anyone stop him from feeding his hungry children at home.

Every can of food from the pile of five tons was distributed. It had been officially turned over to the local pit committee and the local union officers by this report

in the name of the Daily Worker and its readers.

Company stooges begged the men not to eat the Daily Worker food. But this stupid propaganda flopped.

"Why should I listen to the company?" said one Negro miner. "The company had my credit cut off at the store. My children are hungry and it's very nice of you people to help us."

Another Negro miner said: "We were starving before this food came. And we need more food. We can't get it from any- (Continued on Page 9)

REDBAITERS 'HONOR' MEDINA FOR FOLEY SQUARE TRIAL

The topmost brackets of America's professional red baiters and FDR-haters comprise the list of sponsors for the \$17.50 per plate "tribute dinner" to be tendered Judge Harold R. Medina at the Waldorf-Astoria, March 14.

The judge originally accepted the invitation to appear as "honored guest" and received a plaque "for the distinguished personal service" he performed in the Foley Square trial.

He reversed himself later when he realized his attendance would expose his alleged impartiality as judge in the Communist trial. He lauded those who invited him, however.

The "impartiality" of the entire Foley Square proceedings is further exposed in the announcement that Attorney General McGrath is scheduled as a speaker. Observers are commenting on the remarkable fact that the governmental agency which brought the trial is today honoring the presiding judge for his role in it.

The dinner, originally sponsored by Common Cause, Inc., a Park Ave. dominated professional anti-Communist group, has as co-chairmen two notorious opponents of FDR and the New Deal: John Foster Dulles, braintrustee in the world conspiracy for World War III whose anti-Semitic campaign shocked the nation in the recent New York senatorial race, and James A. Farley, pro-Franco enemy of FDR.

QUITE A GANG

Other "honorary" sponsors include Adolph A. Berle, Jr., long-time braintrustee against world progress and Communism; Frederic R. Coudert, banker for Hitler-stooge Petain's interests; David Dubinsky and Matthew Woll, labor's leading red baiters; Thomas J. Watson, president of International Business Machines, notorious anti-labor industrialist who accepted honors from the Third Reich; Rabbi Benjamin Schultz

who was kicked out of his synagogue post in Yonkers and who heads a professional Hearst-backed anti-Communist outfit, and several score similar figures.

The anti-labor, FDR-hating press and radio is represented by William Randolph Hearst, Jr., H. V. Kaltenborn, and Clare Booth Luce.

Gen. William J. Donovan, head of OSS and shadowy figure in the Project X international espionage outfit, is included, as well as Dr. Harry Gideonse, whose anti-democratic position in the academic world is notorious.

Hence, observers say, it is no mystery why these people—many identified for decades as witch-hunters wrote, in their letter in- (Continued on Page 9)

Jungle Cat Still Eludes Dogs, Men

OKLAHOMA CITY, Feb. 27. (UP).—Oklahoma's big game hunters made a fresh start today in their search for a jungle-wise leopard that had outsmarted them for more than 48 hours.

The chase bogged down so badly early in the day that Park Superintendent R. R. Murphy conceded, "that cat's just smarter than we are."

MEOW!

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Feb. 27. (UP).—Sheriff's officers looked today for a panther "bigger than a house" which has been blamed for the slaughter of livestock on Camp Road, south of St. Joseph.

Memphis Shannon, coon-hunting expert, told deputies he had seen a panther while hunting coons in the area where several hogs were killed recently. He said he heard the animal cry.

But, after a council of war, Murphy and the other leaders thinned the ranks of the hunters, keeping only those with dogs and U. S. Army and Marine reservists. And at mid-afternoon two groups of dogs and hunters started all over again along Deep Fork Creek some 11 miles northeast of the zoo, from whence the wily cat jumped to freedom Saturday. They had no specific lead, but it was in this area that the big jungle cat was seen "authentically" yesterday.

Seven Colorado "lion dogs"—dogs used to trail mountain lions in the Rockies—were flown in from Denver with two professional hunters and trappers, an Army helicopter moved in from Fort Sill, Okla., and some 50 marines and army men equipped with M-1 rifles and walkie-talkie radios took part in the search.

"We've made no progress at all because we have no authentic leads. So far as leads are con-

cerned we are worse off than yesterday."

Even an attempt to drug the big black-spotted jungle cat apparently had failed. Zoo authorities left four pounds of narcotic-treated horse meat near the leopard pit last night.

It was gone this morning, but Zoo Director Julian Frazier said skunks or raccoons probably have eaten it. In any case there was no indication the elusive leopard had been slowed down by drugs or anything else.

When several forays after "hot" reports had led to nothing, the search leaders held a conference, after which Murphy gave the go-home notice to 50 to 75 volunteers who came just for the excitement. Murphy said so many hunters hindered the search instead of helping it.

The Colorado bounds got nothing but a lunch of dog food for their first efforts. They began in the zoo itself, where the leopard

was reported "surrounded"—to no avail—about 2 a.m. After sniffing the leopard pit, they nosed around the zoo for 45 minutes without picking up the scent.

NO HOT DOGS

They left Lincoln Park and poked around in areas to the north-east—including the section of the afternoon search. But they found the trail just as cold as it had been yesterday.

The dogs finally returned to the zoo where the military men were standing around waiting for somebody to give them a lead. They had plenty of rumors, but nothing that would stand up.

There was a suggestion that the leopard might return to its pit to visit its mate, now kept in a cage. But zoo director Frazier only scoffed.

"The leopard and his mate haven't been together long enough to get—well, really acquainted," he said. "I don't think the female even knows he's gone."

Stuyvesant Tenants Off for Albany to Flay Bias

More than 50 tenants from Stuyvesant Town will meet with Albany legislators today to demand legislation to bar discrimination in existing housing aided by public funds.

Sponsored by the Town and Village Committee to End Discrimination in Stuyvesant Town, the delegates will meet with Lieut. Gov. Joe R. Hanley, Senate Majority leader Arthur H. Wicks, Assembly Majority leader Lee S. Mailler and other leaders of the Legislature.

The tenants will ask that the Wicks housing bill be amended to

include provisions which would make it illegal to discriminate against tenants because of race, color or creed in any housing built with the aid of public funds.

The present Wicks bill does not cover such housing already in existence.

The Morritt-Baker measure banning discrimination in past, present and future housing has been killed.

Bare Slave Labor in Colonies Before UN

By Joseph Clark

LAKE SUCCESS, Feb. 27.—Forced labor exists in all colonies and dependent territories, the World Federation of Trade Unions charged yesterday. Addressing the United Nations Economic and Social Council, Abdoulaye Diallo, himself a French West African trade unionist, cited numerous examples and documents proving the existence of forced labor in British and French colonies in Africa and the Pacific.

Diallo was repeatedly interrupted by the chairman who objected that any mention of massacres of striking African workers, and the use of the word cynical to describe forced labor was not allowed in the council. Despite the heckling of Chile's Hernan Santa Cruz, the council chairman Diallo was able to place these charges before the council.

In the province of Niger, native chiefs received requisition orders for forced labor forces. Diallo cited children from the ages of 8 to 12 whose names were on such lists submitted for forced labor on the roads. "This happened in 1949, gentlemen," he said, his voice rising as he turned toward the council members.

In the Cameroons, police help recruit forced labor for public works. Diallo described similar practices in Madagascar. He told of guards standing over the forced laborers with whips in East Africa.

Diallo also told of quasi-military organizations on the Ivory and Gold Coasts. Workers there, he said, are contracted for two years, paid a basic salary and submitted to army discipline and the command of army officers. In Tanganyika, Nigeria, Northern Rhodesia, and other British colonies there are similar conditions of forced labor.

Forced labor, Diallo said, is only one means used by the trusts and monopolies to exact huge profits from the colonies and dependencies. To abolish forced labor, Diallo added, the entire colonial system must be condemned. The entire system which breeds forced labor must be eliminated. Diallo said, as the chairman pounded his gavel to shut him off.

Diallo declared his support of the Soviet resolution introduced at an earlier meeting, calling for a trade union investigation of forced labor all over the world.

Before Diallo spoke, the American Federation of Labor representative, Toni Sender, addressed the council in a long diatribe, digging out all the old tales about Soviet forced labor. Her sources had to remain unnamed, she said, as she presented the stale charges about millions of forced laborers without offering any proof. Among the "facts" she cited was the existence of schools for labor reserves in the U.S.S.R., which were examples of forced labor according to the AFL.

State Demo Leader Insults Negro Woman at Hearing

New York City tenants are angry over the insult to a Negro witness by Democratic Assembly leader Irwin Steingut at the recent public hearing in Albany on state rent control.

Miss Ellen Simpson, Negro tenant leader, rose to ask why she had not been called to speak after having waited for time. Steingut

answered in a patronizing manner, referring to Miss Simpson as "honey." All other witnesses had been addressed by name.

As Miss Simpson was finishing her remarks and was about to return to her seat, Steingut called her to the platform and whispered something in her ear. Unable to hear at first, she asked that he repeat his remarks. Everyone watched the episode. After Steingut repeated his remark, Miss Simpson hurriedly returned to her seat.

Later she told friends he had asked her whether she wanted to know the "number for tomorrow."

Mrs. Mary Hicks, seated in the audience, quickly rose to her feet to protest.

"I feel, as a citizen and a tenant," she said, "that you owe Miss Simpson a public apology and an apology to everyone in this room. I think it's outrageous that she was not accorded the same courtesy that was extended to every other speaker heard by this Commission."

Hits Conviction Of Kosher Butchers

A New York State law prohibiting the sale of uncooked meat on Sunday, under which two Kosher butchers were convicted, "impinges on one of the most important of all civil liberties, religious freedom, and has the tendency . . . of placing a premium on conformity and a penalty on the expression of a practice of minority religious beliefs," the American Civil Liberties Union asserted yesterday.

Rank-File of ILG Local 22 to Meet

The Rank and File Group of Local 22 of the International Ladies Garment Workers will meet tomorrow (Wednesday) at 6 p.m. at Hotel Diplomat to discuss the union's election results.

ACW Local 4 Rank-File Hike Vote

The Rank and File of Cutters, Local 4, Amalgamated Clothing Workers, drew a vote of 347, an improvement over its support in the last election, despite an effort of the administration's forces to silence its candidates.

Peter Harris, candidate for president received 316 ballots to 1,496 for the administration. Others of the Rank and File candidates drew votes ranging from 263 to the top of 347 cast for Louis Levene for the executive board.

COMMUNIST PARTY EXPELS MARY VARDOULAKIS

The Jefferson Section of the Communist Party of New York County yesterday announced the expulsion of Mary Vardoulakis as

an enemy of the working class. Miss Vardoulakis worked in the Greek-American democratic movement.

Of Greek descent, she has travelled extensively in Europe and posed as a Communist writer. Miss Vardoulakis is in her late 20's or early 30's, is about five feet tall and weighs about 125 pounds. She wears black horn-rimmed glasses with thick lenses and has black hair. She speaks, reads and writes Greek.



MARY VARDOULAKIS

UPW Steps Up Fight on Gov't Job Jimcrow

The executive board of the United Public Workers concluded its weekend meeting in New York with the launching of campaign to increase its membership and to step up the fight against Jimcrow in government agencies. The Board declared this was the answer to top CIO's expulsion of the union, which it denounced as part of top CIO's attempt to serve as "an Un-

American Committee within the House of Labor."

Representatives of 72,000 UPW members attended the meeting at Hotel Woodstock and voted unanimously to pursue the same policies which had caused embarrassment to CIO officials and which exposed their betrayals and ineptitude.

Board members applauded the announcement by Thomas Richardson, chairman of the union's anti-discrimination committee, that the UPW had at last won its 1½ year fight to end discrimination in the Bureau of Engraving. An order was handed down Feb. 24 qualifying Negroes for skilled jobs.

In his report on the victory, Richardson revealed that top CIO officials, including CIO Vice President Allan Haywood, had called in UPW leaders and had sought to persuade them to drop the fight.

Robert Weinstein, UPW director of organization, reported that the union had defeated all but 11 of about 80 raids by the entire apparatus of CIO, resulting in a total loss of 4,000 members. All reports indicated, however, that the union would hold its own in the face of raids, and would continue to grow.

The Board voted full support to the striking miners and the Chrysler workers.

Bakers' Strike In 3rd Week

One hundred and fifty AFL Bakers staged a half-hour mass demonstration at 1 p.m. yesterday in front of the Larsen Baking Co., Henry and Mill Street, Brooklyn.

The demonstration marked the beginning of the third week of the strike, called by AFL Bakers Local 3 for wage increases in line with that paid at other companies, additional paid holidays, improved vacation plan, and wage adjustments for the lower-paid miscellaneous operations.

Peekskill Suits Come Up Today

The \$2,000,000 civil damage suit filed by victims of the Peekskill mobsters last summer will be heard this morning in the federal district court at Foley Square.

The suit is directed at New York State, Westchester County and the city of Peekskill. Plaintiffs include Paul Robeson and many other victims because of failure of the police to protect the gathering.

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8 Bishops Back Rev. Melish Against Ouster

Powerful support within his own church for the Rev. John Howard Melish was revealed here yesterday when eight bishops and 1,123 clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church asked permission to file a brief in his behalf when his appeal against his ouster is heard by the Appellate Division.

Rev. Melish was ousted from the Church of the Holy Trinity in Brooklyn last year by Bishop James P. DeWolfe who acted on the application of nine of 11 vestrymen of the church.

In a vote taken by members of the congregation, however, more than 70 percent voted against the ouster. The issue was the refusal of Rev. Melish to remove his son, Rev. William Howard Melish, as his associate. The younger Rev. Melish was under attack because of his activities on behalf of U.S.-Soviet friendship.

The legal move in support of Rev. Melish was made by Samuel Thorne, an attorney and leading Episcopal layman of 15 William St., in behalf of the Rev. Joseph F. Fletcher, professor of Practical Theology and Social Studies at the Episcopal Theological School in Cambridge, Mass. Rev. Fletcher has been an Episcopal priest for 20 years.

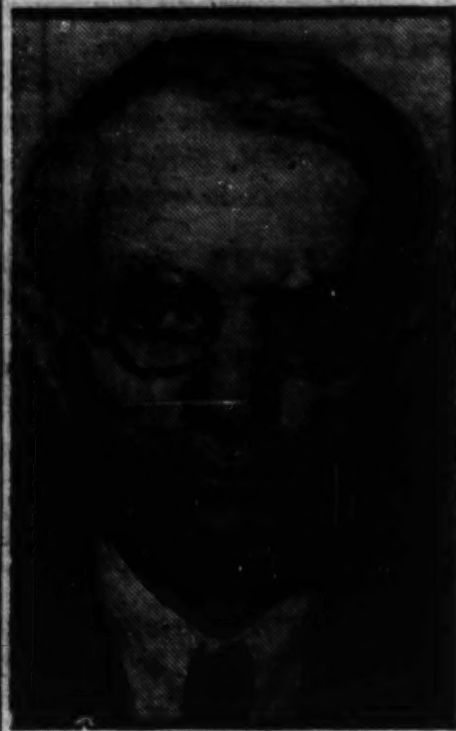
AFFECTS CLERGY'S RIGHTS

Prof. Fletcher's affidavit asserted that the issues involved in Rev. Melish's appeal from the trial court ruling which sustained his ouster affected the rights of all clergy and congregations of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

The impressive array of support (Continued on Page 9)

Miners' Trial Is Continued As Owners Suspend Talks

Bittelman Birthday To Be Celebrated



BITTELMAN

The 60th birthday of Alexander Bittelman, general-secretary of the Morning Freiheit Association, will be celebrated at Webster Hall Sunday evening. Chicago and Detroit will also hold celebrations Sunday.

The Cleveland celebration will be held March 7.

In Philadelphia, a delegation will be elected Saturday evening to participate in the New York affair.

Special to the Daily Worker

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—The United Mine Workers today pleaded innocent to the contempt of court charges brought against them by District Court Judge Richmond B. Keech. Appearing before Keech this morning to stand trial, the union, represented by four attorneys, again asked Keech to dismiss the charges. UMW attorney Welly K. Hopkins insisted that the 370,000 striking bituminous miners were acting "individually" without direction from the union in refusing to abide by Keech's back-to-work order.

A Pittsburgh district coal company broke the operators' front today.

Joseph Batcher, president of (Continued on Page 9)

Hungry Miners Read Demos' Menu

BELLAIRE, O., Feb. 27.—The latest story told by the coal miners in the Ohio Valley regarding their unwillingness to return to work is to this effect:

"We read about President Truman and the Democrats eating that \$100 plate Jackson Day dinner. It gave us indigestion and we haven't been able to work since."

Philly Sea Unions Vote Miners Aid

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 27.—The Maritime Workers Committee, comprising 14 CIO, AFL and independent waterfront unions, has voted to start a citywide campaign for funds and food for the striking miners.

Miners Ignore Hearst's Attempt to Blockade Food

By Art Shields

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 27.—The strikebreaking newspapers and radio broadcasters here are deeply disappointed in the coal miners, who insist on eating the good foods trucked in by their friends during the big fight. Day by day the Sun Telegraph, a Hearst paper,

and The Press, a Roy Howard paper, are warning the coal diggers against eating flour, bacon, canned goods and beans that are coming in from their friends on the outside.

The radio chains followed suit. Yet day by day the miners reject the advice of the employers' mouthpieces and accept the food donations with thanks.

Many tons of food have been accepted from progressive trade unions, from the American Labor Party of New York, and from readers of the Daily Worker and from other workingclass groups.

The strikebreaking papers were especially upset about the five tons of food that the Daily Worker trucked into the Muse, where 1,100 miners are striking for a contract from the H. C. Frick Co., a subsidiary of the United States Steel Corp.

And day by day the local papers ran rumors that the Muse miners were rejecting the food shipments.

RUMORS NAILED

But yesterday a picture on the front page of the Hearst paper made hash of these rumors.

The picture showed a Muse miner walking out of the Italian

club, where the Daily Worker food had been unloaded.

The miner carried a big shopping bag, loaded with canned goods from the Daily Worker's readers.

And his mouth was set in a determined line that showed that he wasn't going to let anyone stop him from feeding his hungry children at home.

Every can of food from the pile of five tons was distributed. It had been officially turned over to the local pit committee and the local union officers by this report

in the name of the Daily Worker and its readers.

Company stooges begged the men not to eat the Daily Worker food. But this stupid propaganda flopped.

"Why should I listen to the company?" said one Negro miner. "The company had my credit cut off at the store. My children are hungry and it's very nice of you people to help us."

Another Negro miner said: "We were starving before this food came. And we need more food. We can't get it from anyone." (Continued on Page 9)

REDBAITERS 'HONOR' MEDINA FOR FOLEY SQUARE TRIAL

The topmost brackets of America's professional red baiters and FDR-haters comprise the list of sponsors for the \$17.50 per plate "tribute dinner" to be tendered Judge Harold R. Medina at the Waldorf-Astoria, March 14.

The judge originally accepted the invitation to appear as "honored guest" and received a plaque "for the distinguished personal service" he performed in the Foley Square trial.

He reversed himself later when he realized his attendance would expose his alleged impartiality as judge in the Communist trial. He lauded those who invited him, however.

The "impartiality" of the entire Foley Square proceedings is further exposed in the announcement that Attorney General McGrath is scheduled as a speaker. Observers are commenting on the remarkable fact that the governmental agency which brought the trial is today honoring the presiding judge for his role in it.

The dinner, originally sponsored by Common Cause, Inc., a Park Ave. dominated professional anti-Communist group, has as co-chairmen two notorious opponents of FDR and the New Deal: John Foster Dulles, braintruster in the world conspiracy for World War III whose anti-Semitic campaign shocked the nation in the recent New York senatorial race, and James A. Farley, pro-Franco enemy of FDR.

QUITE A GANG

Other "honorary" sponsors include Adolph A. Berle, Jr., long-time braintruster against world progress and Communism; Frederic R. Coudert, banker for Hitler-stooge Petain's interests; David Dubinsky and Matthew Woll, labor's leading red baiters; Thomas J. Watson, president of International Business Machines, notorious anti-labor industrialist who accepted honors from the Third Reich; Rabbi Benjamin Schultz

who was kicked out of his synagogue post in Yonkers and who heads a professional Hearst-backed anti-Communist outfit, and several score similar figures.

The anti-labor, FDR-hating press and radio is represented by William Randolph Hearst, Jr., H. V. Kaltenborn, and Clare Booth Luce.

Gen. William J. Donovan, head of OSS and shadowy figure in the Project X international espionage outfit, is included, as well as Dr. Harry Gideonse, whose anti-democratic position in the academic world is notorious.

Hence, observers say, it is no mystery why these people—many identified for decades as witch-hunters wrote, in their letter in—

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Greet 'Worker' Mine Edition

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 27.—Miners throughout the coal area are welcoming the special mine edition of the Daily Worker with expressions of thanks.

In a few places, however, coal bosses are trying to keep the miners from seeing the papers.

Bethlehem Steel Co. police forced a group of young workers out of the town of Maxwell, where they were passing out the edition. Company goons in the same town drove out another group. Miners were readily taking the paper before the cops and goons interfered.

In a neighboring town, distribution was interrupted by hoodlums believed inspired by the people close to the Association of Catholic Trade Unionists, as well as mine bosses.

Jungle Cat Still Eludes Dogs, Men

OKLAHOMA CITY, Feb. 27. (UP).—Oklahoma's big game hunters made a fresh start today in their search for a jungle-wise leopard that had outsmarted them for more than 48 hours.

The chase bogged down so badly early in the day that Park Superintendent R. R. Murphy conceded, "that cat's just smarter than we are."

MEOW!

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Feb. 27 (UP).—Sheriff's officers looked today for a panther "bigger than a hound" which has been blamed for the slaughter of livestock on Camp Road, south of St. Joseph.

Memphis Shannon, coon-hunting expert, told deputies he had seen a panther while hunting coons in the area where several hogs were killed recently. He said he heard the animal cry.

But, after a council of war, Murphy and the other leaders thinned the ranks of the hunters, keeping only those with dogs and U. S. Army and Marine reservists. And at mid-afternoon two groups of dogs and hunters started all over again along Deep Fork Creek some 11 miles northeast of the zoo, from whence the wily cat jumped to freedom Saturday. They had no specific lead, but it was in this area that the big jungle cat was seen "authentically" yesterday.

Seven Colorado "lion dogs"—dogs used to trail mountain lions in the Rockies—were flown in from Denver with two professional hunters and trappers, an Army helicopter moved in from Fort Sill, Okla., and some 50 marines and army men equipped with M-1 rifles and walkie-talkie radios took part in the search.

"We've made no progress at all because we have no authentic leads. So far as leads are con-

cerned we are worse off than yesterday."

Even an attempt to drug the big black-spotted jungle cat apparently had failed. Zoo authorities left four pounds of narcotic-treated horsemeat near the leopard pit last night.

It was gone this morning, but Zoo Director Julian Frazier said skunks or raccoons probably have eaten it. In any case there was no indication the elusive leopard had been slowed down by drugs or anything else.

When several forays after "hot" reports had led to nothing, the search leaders held a conference, after which Murphy gave the go-home notice to 50 to 75 volunteers who came just for the excitement. Murphy said so many hunters hindered the search instead of helping it.

The Colorado hounds got nothing but a lunch of dog food for their first efforts. They began in the zoo itself, where the leopard

was reported "surrounded"—to no avail—about 2 a.m. After sniffing the leopard pit, they nosed around the zoo for 45 minutes without picking up the scent.

NO HOT DOGS

They left Lincoln Park and poked around in areas to the northeast—including the section of the afternoon search. But they found the trail just as cold as it had been yesterday.

The dogs finally returned to the zoo where the military men were standing around waiting for somebody to give them a lead. They had plenty of rumors, but nothing that would stand up.

There was a suggestion that the leopard might return to its pit to visit its mate, now kept in a cage. But zoo director Frazier only scoffed.

"The leopard and his mate haven't been together long enough to get—well, really acquainted," he said. "I don't think the female even knows he's gone."

Portland City Council Outlaws Jimcrow

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 27.—The City Council has unanimously passed a civil rights ordinance, providing fines and jail for any person who refuses service in public places on account of race, color, religion, ancestry, or national origin. Overwhelming en-

Call Maryland Parley for Peace March 15

Special to The Worker

BALTIMORE.—A conference on peace was announced Friday by the Maryland Committee for Peace, a new organization basing its actions on the concept that war is not inevitable.

Spokesmen for the committee said Dr. Philip Morrison, associate professor of physics at Cornell University, will be the keynote speaker at the conference to be held in the Parish House of the Christ Episcopal Church on March 19.

Dr. Sibyl Mandell, Baltimore psychologist, will lead a panel discussion on "Personal Security in the Atomic Age." Bishop Alexander P. Shaw, Rabbi Uri Miller and Rev. C. Cluster Cromwell will lead another panel on "Religion and Peace."

Other panel topics include "The United States and the Soviet Union" and "War Tension: Human Rights and the Standard of Living." "We stand at the fateful crossroads," the committee declared. "The future of our lives and those of our children will be determined by our success or failure in maintaining peace."

The committee called for "immediate and unconditional outlawing of all atomic and bacteriological weapons of war," and a meeting between the U. S. and Soviet Union "to negotiate and compromise their differences in the interests of world peace."

Charge Truman Knifed FEPC

The Civil Rights Congress charged yesterday that the Truman Administration had joined a "tri-partisan lynching" of the Powell FEPC Bill by supporting a toothless substitute measure together with Southern Democrats and Republicans.

"The policy of believing Truman's promises has been proved to be not only bankrupt but downright treason to the Negro people's movement for civil rights," declared William L. Patterson, executive secretary of the CRC. "By knifing a minimum FEPC measure, both major parties now stand revealed as enemies of the Negro people. Their action helped again to reinforce an official Jimcrow policy enforced through terror by government everywhere in the U.S., both north and south."

DETROIT, Feb. 27.—The Free Press, in an editorial here Saturday, tied the FEPC's defeat to President Truman's refusal to fight for it. It likened Truman's position on FEPC "to a bombardment of Gibraltar with powderpuffs."

"So far as the Administration is concerned, the FEPC issue is strictly campaign ammunition," commented the Free Press.

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thusiasm for the ordinance expressed by the crowd of some 350 persons representing over 50 organizations, who jammed the council chambers during the morning hearing, led to cancellation of previous plans for an additional night session, and to a unanimous vote. A standing ovation followed.

Fred Soriano, chairman of the Citizens' Committee for Civil Rights, initiated the fight for such an ordinance over a year ago and obtained over 5,000 petition signatures.

Soriano spoke for the Committee and for the Tomas Claudio Post, American Legion, of which he is commander. The Citizens' Committee was also represented by Attorney Irvin Goodman and Mrs. Harley Phillips.

Dr. Myron C. Cole, chairman of the Mayor's Advisory Committee on Intergroup Relations, spoke for the ordinance, as did AFL and CIO representatives.

The opposition consisted of four hotel and restaurant owners.

Philadelphia is the only other American city having such an ordinance.

Harlan Pickets

HARLAN, Ky.—Harlan county, where 20 years ago the coal operators, through hired thugs, beat, ambushed and killed representatives of the United Mine Workers, is being picketed today by 1,200 roving pickets.

There is grim determination here that the union shall win its struggle in the present dispute.

UNITY IS THEME SONG OF THE OHIO VALLEY

By Elmer O. Fehlhaber

BELLAIRE, O.—The old slogan of the miners of "no contract, no work," still holds good in the Ohio Valley, but the events of the past few days have given it a more up-to-date version.

Beyond question, the pitch of militancy and unity in Ohio and the West Virginia Panhandle has reached a new high.

The relief machinery is beginning to function more smoothly. The miners do not view relief as charity. Here is a typical viewpoint:

"We feel the rest of labor should support us. It's everyone's battle. Unity is the theme song of the Ohio Valley."

The Negro miner has demon-

Philly CP Rally Collects Food For Miners

By Norman Anderson

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 27.—"Enough food has been collected here tonight to feed 1,000 miners' families at least one meal each." That announcement was made during the Communist Party's Peace Festival and Rally at The Met, Friday night, Feb. 24.

It brought an ovation from the crowd of over 1,000 which had come to rally for an end to H-bomb preparations for another war, and to support the striking coal diggers.

The food was piled high in the lobby. Before the peace rally ended, a truck was loaded and on its way to New Kensington, in western Pennsylvania.

The rally's theme was peace and friendship among all peoples. It was highlighted by tributes to the world's outstanding fighters for peace, V. I. Lenin, founder of the Soviet Union, and Joseph Stalin, its present leader.

The perspectives in the fight for peace and economic security were highlighted by the chairman of the Communist Party here, Ed Strong. An outline of the nature and meaning of the fight for peace was delivered by Betty Gannett, national assistant organizational secretary of the Communist Party.

strated his fighting ability and has endeared himself to the white worker who is shedding discrimination.

Small businessmen are on the side of the miners. Here is an example:

A relief truck from Local 45, United Auto Workers, arrived in Yorkville. It was loaded so heavily that it broke down and was taken to a nearby garage for repairs.

"The bill's on me, boys," the garage owner said. "I want to contribute to the miners."

It should not be considered, however, that the relief situation is being met. The need is increasing day by day.

COMMUNIST PARTY EXPELS MARY VARDOLAKIS

The Jefferson Section of the Communist Party of New York County yesterday announced the expulsion of Mary Vardoulakis as



MARY VARDOLAKIS

an enemy of the working class. Miss Vardoulakis worked in the Greek-American democratic movement.

Of Greek descent, she has travelled extensively in Europe and posed as a Communist writer. Miss Vardoulakis is in her late 20's or early 30's, is about five feet tall and weighs about 125 pounds. She wears black horn-rimmed glasses with thick lenses and has black hair. She speaks, reads and writes Greek.

Trial of Dr. Fuchs Set for Tomorrow

LONDON, Feb. 27.—Dr. Klaus Fuchs, physicist, will go on trial Wednesday at 11:30 a.m., charged with giving atomic secrets to a foreign power.

MARYLAND CP DISTRIBUTES 3 TONS OF AID TO MINERS

Special to the Daily Worker

CUMBERLAND, Md.—Three tons of food, clothing and medical supplies, collected by the Maryland and District of Columbia Communist Party, was distributed to striking western Maryland miners Friday.

Two trucks from Washington and Baltimore unloaded the supplies at Salvation Army headquarters in Cumberland, which operates the distributive channels arranged by the miners.

Mine workers told Communist Party officials Philip Frankfeld, George A. Meyers and Roy Wood of their appreciation of the help and of their need for more.

The striking miners are receiving little financial aid and food supplies from public welfare agencies. Only a few miners were able to get relief. Since October, a little help has been supplied by some CIO locals in western Maryland.

HARLEM UNIONISTS CHIP IN; THEY KNOW HUNGER WELL

Negro trade unionists of Harlem, despite their own poverty, sent food to the striking miners. Their first contributions, collected by the Harlem Trade Union Council, were part of a five-ton truckload sponsored by the United Labor Committee to Repeal Taft-Hartley.

The HTUC executive board voted to "give all-out support to the striking miners," and issued thousands of leaflets in the community. Food began pouring into the offices at 2 E. 125 St. A delegation from the Labor Committee accompanied the food to Pennsylvania.

Ferdinand Smith, HTUC executive secretary, said: "Harlem workers support the miners because their fight against the Taft-Hartley Act is our fight. Our fight for civil rights, jobs and democracy is the miners' fight, and we'll both win."

FRENCH MINERS SALUTE THEIR AMERICAN BROTHERS

Messages of solidarity to the striking miners of the United States have been received from miners union youth organizations of France. Achille Bolondeau, secretary of the Regional Federation of Miners of the North and of Pas-de-Calais, cabled: "In the name of the young miners of the North and of Pas-de-Calais, we warmly salute the young American miners who are on strike for their just demands."

Similar messages were received at the offices of American Youth for a Free World, New York, from Jean Hernandez, secretary of the Miners Union Youth Section of the Craissessac region, and from E. Arcayoli of La Grand Combe region.

Connecticut Aids Miners

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Feb. 27.—The International Ladies Garment Workers of New Haven has given \$500 to the miners. In addition, such locals as Amalgamated Local 243 of the United Electrical Workers of New Haven and Amalgamated Local 292, United Electrical Workers of Bridgeport, have appropriated funds and are collecting more.

A truck with food left Connecticut Friday. The food was collected in Hartford, New Haven, Waterbury, Bridgeport, Norwalk, Stamford, Westport and eastern Connecticut. Farmers donated crates of eggs. The food was collected by members of the People's Party, the IWO and readers of the Connecticut Worker.

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WFTU Leader Flays Carey Talk Urging Unity with Fascists

By Joseph North

Labor, the world over, would have ousted any trade union official "within 24 hours," who dared propose unity with fascists as James Carey of the CIO did, a leading officer



The WFTU delegation to the UN

of the World Federation of Trade Unions (WFTU) told the New York press over the weekend. Boleslaw Gebert, secretary of the world labor body now numbering 75,000,000 told reporters at the Hotel Great Northern that Carey's statement shocked millions in every trade union in the world. They talk of it in Europe, Africa, Asia, Australia.

The WFTU official is well-known in America, having worked for years in the anthracite mines of Pennsylvania. He returned a few years ago to his native Poland and later became a leading figure in the world federation.

He left for WFTU headquarters in Paris yesterday after attending

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Greet Greeting Card Firm's Open Shop Bid with Sit-In

By Bernard Burton

Though the Fuld greeting card company has been profitably peddling sweetness and light for 57 years, it got its first object lesson on the subject this week when all of its workers just decided to spend the weekend and longer at the plant. The workers, who have been sitting in since Friday night, have decided that it's time some of the sentiment spread on Valentine cards got past the front office.

They stayed in Friday night after learning that the company intended to sneak out of New York and reopen on an open shop basis. "Well, they're going to have to think of their workers. We're not moving," Louis Friedenson, 62-year-old shop chairman of the Distributive Workers Local 65 shop, told us in the factory yesterday.

We spoke to the workers yesterday in the orderly fourth floor loft at 352 Fourth Ave., while a noon-hour mass demonstration of Local 65'ers circled the building, chanting and singing encouragement to the sitdowners.

Ironically, big Valentine hearts decorated the loft. They're Fuld's main commodity.

When I commented on the neatness of the plant, the workers smiled back. "It's neater now than it's ever been," John Gerzel, 57, said.

As soon as they decided to sit in, the workers organized into committees. There's a maintenance committee to keep the place clean, a tea and coffee committee, a welfare committee. And there are union shop meetings twice a day, at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Of course there are police, inside and outside the plant. They see to it that the workers don't get to any of the windows. They can't even open them to wave to friends. And of course they can't use the phones to contact their families.

But the families phone in and bring still more encouragement. Mrs. Zelene Johnson, a Negro woman worker and chairman of the coffee committee, said her 17-year-old son has been phoning regularly. "He's more worried about me than I am about him," she smiled.

The workers make it clear that they're not trying to stop the company from moving, but they want some consideration for the people who turn out the work. The average worker has been there seven to 10 years. Some have been there as long as 35 years.

If the company intends to run out, they said, then the least it can do is pay severance wages. They're demanding two weeks pay for every six months of service. But they are also ready to follow the company any place—to see that it stays organized.

The sit-in has not been a lark.

said red-baiting doesn't exist anywhere else in the world as it does in the USA.

Diallo said the WFTU "is the only organization fighting for the rights of colonial workers."

The Negro leader excoriated those who charge "forced labor" in the Soviet Union. "I notice," he said, "none of them ever speak of the forced labor in Africa, which I know from personal experience, and they are always silent about matters in the South of the U. S."

He told of the protests the WFTU has lodged against the mass murders of Negro workers occurring now in Africa. "Force is being used in greater measure" he said, "because imperialists cannot dictate as they used to. The people won't be slaves."

Press Roundup, a summary of editorial comment in the metropolitan press, appears each day in the Daily Worker.

There was no heat for most of the weekend. The men and women huddled in blankets sent in by fellow unionists. And food was also kept out. The workers are eating the reserves they stocked up at the beginning of the fight.

When we went into the shop yesterday, the workers were chuckling over an incident that took place a little earlier. Henry Goldsmith, the elderly company president, walked into the plant and them made a quick exit. It appears he couldn't stand music.

When the workers saw him, they began to march around the place singing union songs like Solidarity Forever and On The Line. "He

couldn't stand good music," a worker said. "So he ran out."

Bribery hasn't worked either. The company tried to persuade Stanley Slagowski, production manager who has been with the firm for 16 years, to walk out on the people.

"The boss said, 'don't worry about anybody but yourself,'" Slagowski said. "But I'm sticking to the people 100 percent—right up to the end."

Every one of the 22 workers feels the same way. Anybody can leave, but the only ones who did were three elderly ladies. The rest of the workers persuaded them to go. They felt it would be too much of an ordeal for them.

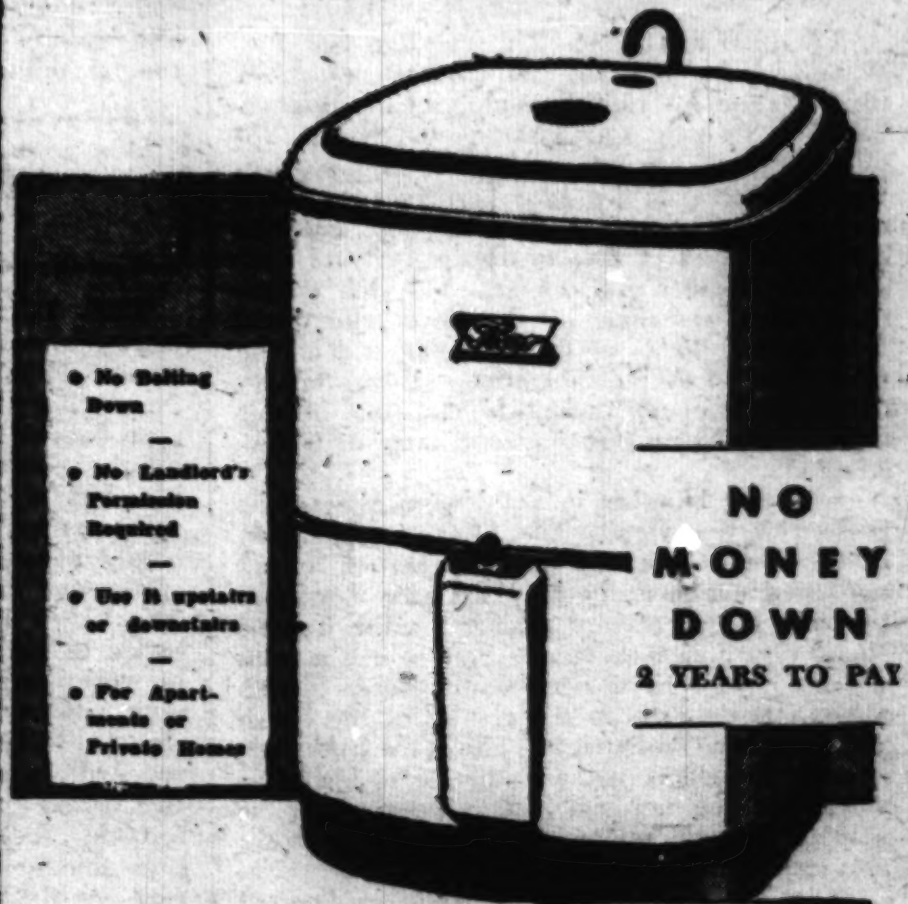
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Of Things to Come 'Race' As A Weapon

By John Pittman

THE AFRICAN TRADE UNIONIST, Abdoulaye Diallo, reports a fact that may sound strange to the ears of most Americans, including Negro Americans. Diallo talked to the press at a conference in the office of the Council on African Affairs. At 33 he is secretary general of the French Sudan Trade Union Council and vice president of the World Federation of Trade Unions. He is in this country to report to the United Nations on discrimination against colonial workers throughout the world. He has studied the conditions of U.S. Negroes, and the WFTU report contained arguments against Jim Crow barriers in this country.

Diallo says the African peoples sympathize with the struggle of U. S. Negroes for full citizenship, but think the effectiveness of this struggle is weakened by its concentration along "race" lines.

The Africans, on the other hand, differentiate friend from foe, not according to ancestry or skin color, but according to whether he is with the exploiters or against them. Diallo says the Africans have learned that some white Europeans are exploiters, but that a great many more white Europeans are against the exploiters. Likewise, they have learned that some Africans are with the exploiters. This difference between exploiters and anti-exploiters, therefore, is for them the only really important one. And they feel the objective of all strategy for their liberation is to unite the anti-exploiters, regardless of ancestry or skin color.

Diallo further reports that the exploiters derive great advantage from confining the attention of colonial peoples to "race" issues. He says they deliberately try to do this, telling African leaders that they should be concerned only with the problems in Africa.

PEOPLE SUCH AS Walter White and Roy Wilkins of the NAACP, Willard Townsend, of the CIO, and A. Philip Randolph, of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, will hardly appreciate Diallo's report. For each of these Negro spokesmen, in his own particular way, not only preaches a strictly "race" sermon, but also actively opposes or tries to disrupt unity of anti-exploiter Negroes and whites. But this is precisely what was done by the slave-holders and is being done today by the Dixiecrats and all the other foes of Negro liberation. Even the so-called "enlightened" scientists and the liberals think of the Negro question as a "race" or "color" question.

Only the Marxists in the United States take issue with this view. The Marxist explanation of the Negro question as the question of an oppressed nation is the only scientific view, and the sole theory of any practical value for the Negro liberation movement. For there is a truth which no Negro in the deep South ignores, though some Negro leaders in the ghettos of the North and West have forgotten it. This is the truth that, in order to achieve its aims, the Negro liberation movement requires aid and support from its natural allies—the millions of poor whites who are also against the exploiters.

That the poor whites—the white workers—of America cannot save and secure their privileges and rights, their homes and jobs, without the aid of their natural allies, the Negro people—this also is an indestructible truth. And it is this truth against which the exploiters have hurled the bulk of their white supremacist lies and "race" mythology. At all costs, reason the exploiters, they must prevent unity of the anti-exploiters.

THIS INSISTENCE of the exploiters on limiting the urgent question of the Labor-Negro Alliance to an issue of "race" has a special meaning in this moment of history. It is a device by which U.S. exploiters try to divert the growing resistance to their aims in America, and thereby to drag the American people into war so as to fasten their claws on the whole world.

Among the white workers, this racial mythology is the core of all chauvinist ideas. Among the Negro people, as expressed by the Whites and Wilkins, the Townsends and Randolphs, it serves the exploiters, reflecting their world-coveting (cosmopolitan) viewpoint, and denying the national identity and aspirations of the Negro people. It is the foe both of class consciousness and of national consciousness.

And both the trade union movement and the Negro liberation movement owe thanks to Abdoulaye Diallo and the World Federation of Trade Unions for their exposure and struggle against racial superstitions in Africa and the world.

VIRGIL



By Len Kleis

World of Labor

By George Morris

Look What Passes For "Liberalism" In 1950

A RECENT PROPOSAL by the American Civil Liberties Union to investigate the scandalous abuse of rights and power in CIO and some AFL unions gave some hope that this group of liberals might really take an interest. But if the ACLU's panel on civil rights in the trade unions during its last Sunday's 30th anniversary conference was any indication, it would seem that a whitewash is all that can be expected from these gentlemen.

Two topics were chosen for the panel: "What rights for unpopular minorities in unions?" and "Can legislation assure trade union democracy?" It would seem that the Communists, the "unpopular minority" they talked about, would have some opinion on the topics. But these professional "liberals" didn't think so. They picked the worst imaginable mental cases from a list of red-baiters to give the "labor" side of discussion, and the most prominent open-shopper for the employer side, left no time for discussion from the floor and called it a "fruitful" afternoon.

The "friends" of labor included Victor Riesel, Hearst's Junior Pegler columnist; Irving Abramson, CIO representative and a darling of the Trotskyites, who several weeks ago led scabs through a strike picket line; Will Herberg, who a generation back was tossed out of the Communist Party as an enemy of the working class, and is now on Dubinsky's payroll; Marx Lewis, red-baiting secretary of the Hatters, and Carl Rachlin, lawyer for Norman Thomas' Workers Defense League, which during the war advocated a negotiated peace with Hitler.

THERE WASN'T one on the list who by any stretch of imagination can be classed as a defender of the rights of "unpopular minorities."

It was essentially a contest in anti-Communist invectives, deceit and brazen lying. Thus, for example, scab-runner Abramson said the Communists "resort to assassination and murder" and don't deserve civil rights.

Victor (Little Pegler) Riesel said Dubinsky's way of handling the left was the best and this is "proven," he said, by the "15 or 20 votes" they get in a local in the current elections of the garment union. If he had the slightest interest in the truth, he would note that in Local 22 the left drew 3,900 votes (22 percent); Local 48 drew 1,700 votes, more than a fifth; Local 117, 1,800 votes, more than a fourth. So it runs in other locals where the rank and file has even a partial right to run candidates.

Herberg sounded very "liberal" as he pleaded for minority rights in unions. He said no member should be penalized for statements against union leaders in outside publications. Nor should a union forbid or set limits to "the formation of groups within the organization." This Herberg spoke in behalf of the one union in the country that expressly forbids in its constitution the formation of groups or the issuance of any unofficial literature by the rank and file, except for a 60-day election campaign period once in three years.

THE ACLU merely provided a forum for a pack of ideological goons from which they could lie and deceive without fear of contradiction in a free discussion. They only differed on the means to be used to deprive "unpopular minorities" of their rights. Some, like Herberg and Abramson, bluntly declared that the left should not be accorded any rights in a union. Others were less blunt.

The only one on that platform who was consistent and didn't have to lie was the notorious anti-labor corporation attorney Walter Gordon Merritt. "I have very little to disagree with what was said," was his first comment as he followed the ideological goons. Merritt still holds to the line that he developed in his first big case in 1908 when he won the famed Danbury Hatters case against the union, on the ground that a union is a "trust."

Merritt still says that a union deprives a member of his rights and a union that restricts anyone's rights should not have the closed shop and a right to deprive a member of a job. The talk he listened to of a union's right to deprive certain people of political freedom, or bar certain people from holding office, or of membership, was directly up his alley. It supported his 42-year long contention that a union is a "coercive" weapon and a "monopoly."

Letters from Readers

Fuchs' Reports In 'Worker'

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

In the Feb. 20 edition of the Daily Worker, the Press Roundup column chides Walter Winchell because he criticized the paper for not printing anything "on the arrest of the atomic spy, Fuchs." You said that "he'll find a report on Fuchs' arrest in last Sunday's Worker and a full column discussion of the case

subsequently in the Daily Worker by Rob. F. Hall." However, I have been unable to find either.

H. NOEL

Ed. Note: The report on Fuchs' arrest appeared in the last (three star) edition of the Sunday Worker of Feb. 5. Rob Hall's column entitled "Why Truman Needed the Fuchs Spy Trial" was published in the Daily Worker of Feb. 8. These two articles appeared a week earlier than the Press Roundup item indicated.

Press Roundup

THE HERALD TRIBUNE takes 53 lines of expensive type to advise its readers that the Progressive Party and its Chicago convention are "of no political importance." On the British election, Walter Lippmann suggests that "the outcome could hardly have been more neatly convenient" to the Tories. For "the Labor Party is still compelled to bear the responsibility of government in the period, now approaching, when Marshall aid will end and the critical test will have to be met. In that period it will be more comfortable and politically more profitable to be in the opposition. At the same time the Labor majority is almost certainly too small to drive through measures" opposed by the Tories.

THE MIRROR's Drew Pearson, in an open letter to Acheson, assures him that he would hate to see genuine peace talks with Russia for "such a conference would be interpreted as a sign of weakness, a diplomatic surrender." But, complains Pearson, "if you and the nation don't take a step toward a discussion of the drift toward war, we may be branded warmongers and potential aggressors."

THE NEWS catalogues the Truman policy defeats in the cold war and then slyly suggests the superior merits of a military dictatorship: "In a hot war, it takes perhaps three minutes to relieve an incompetent commander and replace him with a better one, with the single exception of the Commander in Chief. We have to wait till the next presidential election to relieve him, no matter how numer-

ous and horrible the blunders he and his General Staff commit."

THE COMPASS tells how Life magazine twisted armament figures in an effort to show Russian strength exceeding America's, thus to frighten the public into supporting further cold war expenditures. Life's chart showed U. S. military aircraft "lagging behind the Soviet Union in a ratio of about 8 to 5." But a footnote "explains that the Life chartists 'left out' of this calculation some 5,000 Navy combat planes, the Compass notes.

THE TIMES explains that the Russians are "liquidating native 'Old Bolsheviks' within the satellite countries . . . and are replacing them by younger, Moscow-trained men, whose lack of other merits makes them all the more subservient to Moscow." If Moscow-trained diplomats are such jerks, why is it, every time a U. S. - Soviet parley is proposed, the papers insist that our envoys can't go because they'd be out-smarted?

THE JOURNAL-AMERICAN prints this gem from the works of the master (Hearst): "Conditions have not materially nor fundamentally changed in Europe since this nation was founded." Moscow, Budapest and Prague papers, please copy.

THE POST's Doris Fleeceon also spends a columnful of precious space to insist that the Progressive Party is at a "low ebb" and "isn't being taken seriously by either of the two major parties.—R. F.

COMING: Jobless Are Gathering Again . . . by Robert Friedman . . . in The Worker this weekend

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Daily Worker, New York, Tuesday, February 28, 1950

The Progressive Party

THE PROGRESSIVE PARTY CONVENTION just finished at Chicago didn't give much comfort to the Taft-Hartleyites and H-bomb politicians.

The convention renewed the demand launched by Henry Wallace in 1948 for direct American-Soviet peace talks to outlaw atomic warfare. When this was urged in 1948, the Tories sneered. But when Harry Truman decided he was losing the 1948 election, he borrowed this peace plank from the Progressive Party and promised he would send a peace mission to Moscow. That elected him. Then he forgot about his promise. Today, millions of Americans who didn't understand this slogan now see its urgent necessity. And this cuts across all party lines and political affiliations.

THE CHICAGO CONVENTION WISELY RECOGNIZED that its job is to unite all Americans, regardless of doctrinal differences, on the immediate job of saving our nation from the disasters of an atomic war. Wisely, also, it voted to take practical steps to concentrate on the defeat of certain notorious enemies of Labor (Taft, in Ohio, for example) and unite wherever possible in other Congressional areas to elect anti-war spokesmen. In a notable statement, the convention boldly challenged the Smith "thought control" Act whose terrorism has seriously subverted the political rights of the nation.

The defense of the "rights of Communists . . . to express and advocate their views is the first line of defense of the liberties of a democratic people" proclaimed the convention. This was its answer to the persistent efforts to split, confuse, and disrupt the convention organized by professional red-baiters.

NATURALLY, THERE WERE DIFFERENCES of opinion. That is as it should be. But these differences should never be permitted to weaken the vigorous unity of the Progressive Party behind its adopted platform of peace and social advance.

No group knows this more than the Communists whose Marxist-Leninist Socialist philosophy differs fundamentally from Henry Wallace's sincere belief in the possibility of "a progressive capitalism" emerging out of Wall Street monopoly. Nor do the Communists agree that the world's peace is menaced equally by the Soviet Union and atom-bomb politicians who see in the cold war a means for "priming the pump" with war contracts. Socialist states don't need that kind of ghastly pump-priming to keep their industries going. And Marxists believe that the people's and Socialist democracy in the lands where Labor has become the ruling class is a higher democracy than in lands where a minority financial oligarchy owns the country.

But Communists believe that such questions can be decided only by the will of the people. They will make the choice. Let the two systems compete peacefully for the support of the people. Let them prove their worth in their ability to provide security, freedom and happiness. Such is the Marxist-Leninist view. That is what Stalin repeatedly declares. His peace policy proves he means it and that the Soviet Union will make every effort to prevent another needless, criminal war.

THE PROGRESSIVE PARTY MET just as the FBI tried to smear it with one of its planted spies who "revealed" that Henry Wallace sought votes for his party in 1948. It met as James Farley, enemy of FDR's New Deal and of his America-Soviet friendship policy, denounced all new party movements. But these crude efforts to halt the people's struggle for their own anti-war, anti-Wall Street party did not halt the Chicago convention. We believe that this wide coalition of progressive-minded citizens will surely gather strength and help determine the nation's future.

KILLER LOOSE



The Coming Convention Of the Steel Workers

By Jim West

(Second of Two Articles)

IN EVERY MILL grievances are piled high in the thousands. There is need for a fighting policy to settle grievances now. In many mills, workers have learned that the best way to get beefs settled is to take militant, united rank and file action before a

complaint ever becomes a grievance. When bosses say, "Go back to work and file a grievance," these workers are learning to answer, "that grievance slip won't make steel and there'll be no steel until we win this grievance fight."

Invariably, work stoppages and slowdowns are caused by company violations of the contract with regard to changing work loads, rates, jobs, etc. Too often union officials tie the hands of the men by stating that strike action violates the contract, completely hiding the fact the company had already broken the contract. Only united rank and file action can break through the company arrogance and the belly-crawling policies of top union leadership.

At the same time, looking to the convention, steel workers have the opportunity to get their locals to send a series of resolutions to the convention aimed at improving the grievance procedure.

Such resolutions should include demands for increasing the number of grievance committeemen and stewards and reducing the number of men they have to serve; for strong action to compel U. S. Steel to agree to joint hiring now of the third man on the arbitration board for fifth step grievances (the company fired the third member last May and has refused to join in hiring a new one ever since, thereby killing thousands of workers' grievances); for rescinding the present "no-strike" clause in contracts and substituting for it a "willing and able to work" clause such as the miners have; and the adoption by the convention of a fighting wage-policy.

THE DECISION of the top officials to launch a drive for one million signatures for an FEPC Bill in Congress should be supported energetically in all locals as an aid to overcoming discriminatory practices in the industry and the union. But under no circumstances should this campaign serve to cover up or prevent the fight to break down lily-white departments, open apprenticeship and clerical work to

Negro youth, and protection of Negro job rights. Nor should this campaign obscure the fact that discriminatory practices are widespread in the union itself, expressed in the failure to integrate Negroes on all levels of leadership, including the top officers, and in all union affairs.

If anything, the holding of the union FEPC conferences is a concession to the growing rank and file fight for equal rights, and should serve to encourage and stimulate a continued and expanded fight, which should now include actions by locals for the coming convention along the lines indicated. Wherever possible, city and town local FEPC conferences should be encouraged to follow up and concretize the national conferences with detailed plans of action to guarantee concrete results, especially on the job.

The coming convention especially affords an opportunity to intensify the fight to RESTORE THE UNION TO THE MEMBERSHIP THROUGH TRADE UNION DEMOCRACY. Among the measures to strengthen democracy in the union which steel workers would respond to would be a series of constitutional amendments, which, for example, would provide for the

annual election of local union officers; would eliminate all undemocratic restrictions on the rights of members to run for office, such as the attendance requirement and the anti-Communist clause; which provide for membership votes in calling strikes and ratifying contracts; and which provide for the election of district executive boards with policy-making powers.

Obviously, this whole program cannot be carried out all at once in all locals. In each mill, Communist, progressive and militant workers must determine which among these points can be tackled first, which next, and so on; and must work out the specific ways and means of best doing it in each area. Uppermost priority at this moment must be given the fight to support the miners and the peace propositions. What is important to remember is this: if rank and file steel workers try their best to get successful action on as much as they can in each mill and local, then the sum total of their work throughout the country will represent this general program and will guarantee, if work is begun now, that the will of the membership finds expression in the coming steel convention.

Miners' '10 Commandments'

YORKVILLE, O., Feb. 27.—Posted in the hall of Local 4472 of the United Mine Workers of America here are "The 10 Commandments of a Coal Miner."

Drafted during the strike, they are as follows:

1. Thou shall not work without a contract.
2. Thou shall not work under a Taft-Hartley injunction.
3. Thou shall not work under pressure of operators' opinions.
4. Thou shall not vote for Bob Taft or his gang.
5. Thou shall not listen to false coal operators' rumors.
6. Thou shall not allow any scab coal to be mined.
7. Thou shall help all other unions to fight the Taft-Hartley law.
8. Thou shall not heed fact-finders' reports.
9. Thou shall obtain food for thy children by hook or crook.
10. Thou shall attend all miners' meetings.

Inscribed below the commandments was this offer: "One dollar bounty for Scabs' Ears."

Life of the Party

By Elizabeth Gurley Flynn

JUST WHEN THE Communist Party of Western Pennsylvania was ready to expose Matt Cvetic as a stoolpigeon, he rushed frantically into the arms of the Un-American Committee, shepherded there by Rep. McDowell. In the Pittsburgh Press he called upon the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars to "help him."

It's a calculated show fooling no intelligent worker, who read in his own words that Cvetic spied on his fellow countrymen of Slovene origin who were members of unions, or other political parties, as well as on the Communist Party, and also on their non-political fraternal organizations. He has followed this gruesome occupation at the command of the FBI for the past nine years, he states. He joined the Party in 1943, so it is apparent he was already an informer for two years.

He claims I recruited him to the Party at a mass meeting held at the 5th Ave. High School. Possibly I did. If you pick a barrel of apples, you're bound to get one or two which look all right but are rotten at the core with ugly worms eating at the hearts. So with recruiting for any organization.

If you never recruit anyone naturally you never recruit a stoolpigeon. So we shouldn't lose any sleep over this particular sample.

EVERY MOVEMENT for human freedom has had its spies, provocateurs, informers, turncoats, traitors or what have you. Jesus, George Washington, the Irish patriots, Lenin knew such creatures. It is not peculiar to our day and party, though it is a disgrace to our country that it is spawned by a government agency and not by an outside oppressor as in many other instances.

It follows a pattern. Remember the stoolpigeons who testified at Foley Square also testified they reported on their unions to the FBI. Cvetic states he organized a Communist club of 22 members in Gracible Steel. He "built the club," he claims. He was a mousy little man who kept in the background. Personally I doubt his abilities as an organizer. I never heard of this alleged accomplishment in Pittsburgh.

But some few FBI stoolpigeons have, as we know in Toledo and Cleveland, brought fellow-workers into the union and the Party in order to have more names to report. Telling the world that Jim Dolson, Gurley Flynn and Steve Nelson are Communists is no news.

But putting the finger on workers as alleged Communists in steel plants, mines and other places is the contemptible act of a stoolpigeon from which no worker is safe.

Cvetic singles out for special mention a comrade who particularly befriended him as a lonely guy. Such is the character of stoolpigeons. It's like Judas kissing Jesus.

THE COMMUNIST PARTY of Pittsburgh, in its statement, points out that the most serious "accusation" he makes against the Party is that it worked to help defeat Rep. McDowell in the 1948 elections. So what? Is it now a crime to campaign in an election. The Party says, "We are proud to declare that we contributed our modest share in achieving this objective which we held in common with the majority of the voters of the 29th Congressional District."

McDowell was a loud advocate of the Taft-Hartley law as well as a member of the infamous committee which President Roosevelt branded as a menace to democracy. He deserved to be defeated, as do many more in Congress today. We'll do our part.

The statement also points out that at the time Cvetic joined the Communist Party its chairman in Western Pennsylvania was Hank Forbes, who left that year to join the army and was killed in 1944 at the battle of Anzio.

His commanding officer wrote that Forbes was an inspiration to every soldier and that his outfit had adopted the slogan, "Get one for Hank." This, while the FBI was spying on his Party and his widow here at home, getting a deferment apparently for its agent, the "great patriot" Cvetic, who claimed to be unable to serve in the army and went around mournfully regretting it.

The Party statement correctly asks, "What kind of a deal was made which permitted Matt Cvetic to escape serving his country so that he could lead the cheap and easy life of a stoolpigeon while millions of Americans, including Communists were risking their all for their country?" These questions demand an answer. The name of Hank Forbes was purposely omitted by the stoolpigeon and the Un-American Committee lest the American people should know his glorious record as an anti-fascist fighter.

When Matt Cvetic took the train to go to Washington to testify, he complained to the newspaper reporters that after he paid his hotel bills, he had \$30.28 left. "That's all I have to show for my nine years undercover work!" he wailed. The price went up 28 cents since Judas had his 30 pieces of silver when he went out to hang himself.

Possibly Cvetic thought the jig is up now and his FBI employers will have no more use for him. I saw how they treat a stoolpigeon at Claudia Jones' hearing when they walked away from him during a recess, leaving him standing alone.

One word of advice—if you believe a person to be a stoolpigeon for any reason, say so to your organization at once and let him be investigated. An honest member will be glad you are vigilant and candidly answer any questions raised. But all doubts should be resolved while the investigation goes on in favor of the organization and not the individual.

Officials in organizations should listen willingly to the "little people" who often smell out the rats. Don't hush them up, cut them off, but listen carefully, even if later they prove to be wrong. No witch-hunts—but vigilance is required. No panic—but an awareness that the enemies of the people can be smoked out.

Honor Italian Woman Leader in Peace Fight

American women must speak up for peace without delay, urged Mrs. Maria Madelina Rossi, leader of the Italian women's peace movement, at a reception for her attended by 200 women leaders Sunday afternoon at the Hungarian IWO Hall in the Bronx. Mrs.

Mundt Bill Action Delayed

Special to the Daily Worker

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—The drastic Mundt thought control bill was passed over by the Senate Judiciary Committee today until next week. Other business was placed before consideration of the Mundt bill.

Committee aides indicated that Sen. Pat McCarran (D-Nev.) chairman of the committee, had not scheduled special committee meetings thus far during the remaining days of the week.

Rockwell Kent

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United States as a three-man peace mission to Congress.

DELEGATES PLEA

In every country the delegates will ask the government bodies for: An end to the arms race, a ban on the atom bomb, an end to the Indonesian, Malayan and Vietnamese wars, an end to the persecution of the peace fighters of all countries and an end to the war of nerves by signing of a peace pact among the great powers.

"The World Congress of the Partisans of the Peace is not a Communist or Communist-front organization," said Kent on boarding his plane. "To the honor of the Communists it has their support everywhere. I wish we could say it had the support of the NAM."

Making it clear that he was going as an individual, Kent said he would "go anywhere if it meant there would be peace."

Kent said he did not consider his trip a pleasure jaunt but a working mission which would include trips to other European countries. He is a member of the American sponsoring committee to the World Congress, which also includes Bishop Moulton, O. John Rogge and W. E. B. DuBois. The peace body was set up in Paris last year.



Rossi, president of the Union of Italian Women, with a membership of nearly 2,000,000 and member of the Italian Parliament, is in New York as representative to the United Nations of the Women's International Democratic Federation. The reception was sponsored by the Hungarian Women's Federation and by a group of women leaders in unions and progressive organizations.

"We know that the great majority of the people are for peace," said Mrs. Rossi in her moving appeal, "and when the majority of the people throughout the world take heed and fight the menace of war, we will win. That is why, when I return to my country, I must take with me the pledge of the best women of the United States sitting here that they will very soon mobilize the majority of the women to fight for peace."

WAR EXPERIENCES

The Italian woman leader continued:

"The struggle for peace is not easy. Your country did not know the horrors of war. You don't know what it is to be in caves all night long, with the sirens blowing and the bombs falling outside on children and old women. You don't know what it is to leave that cave and find your home a mound of rubbish—to be without food, family, clothes, home, to be all alone in the world. That is war."

Mrs. Rossi told the group about the celebration of International Women's Day, March 8, in Italy. She said that on that day the women of Italy exchange bouquets of mimosa blossoms "as a symbol of unity and love" in the struggle for peace and equal rights.

Claudia Jones, secretary of the National Women's Commission of the Communist Party, told Mrs. Rossi:

"We in America must speak humbly. Our fight is just beginning. But now new millions of our women are speaking out for peace on a new basis. The threat is not only against the women of

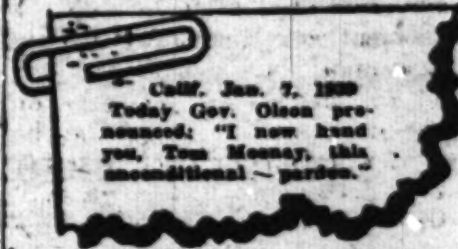
the rest of the world, but also against the women of America."

Pearl Lawes, union leader and vice-president of the Congress of American Women, told Mrs. Rossi: "It is true we have not suffered the horrors of war, but we, especially the Negro women of America, know what terror means. We know what it means to have our loved ones lynched and we know police brutality. We know the tasks that confront us, and we have a great responsibility. The imperialist forces of our own country are those who threaten the world with destruction."

Women leaders at the meeting included fur workers, shoe workers, office workers, food workers, wives of the - Communist leaders, members of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, members of Junior Hadassah, Italian Women's organization, Yugoslav women members and Communist women leaders. Among the speakers was Mrs. Maude White Katz, secretary of the Committee to Free the Ingrams. The chairman was Rose Weinstock, executive secretary of the Hungarian Women's Federation.

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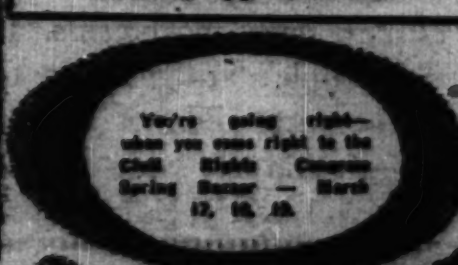
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JOHN SOKOL DIES OF CANCER; HOUNDED TO LAST BY GOV'T

HAMTRAMCK, Mich., Feb. 27.—John Sokol, a devoted fighter for the people's rights for more than 25 years, was buried last Saturday. John Sokol died of cancer. Yet even while he was dying he was forced by the U. S. Immigration Department to go down to its headquarters for questioning.

This was done despite the statement of a doctor that Sokol was dying of cancer. Failure of Sokol to appear would have meant the forfeiting of his bond, on which he had been released some months ago while being held for deportation.

The questioning was unnecessary as the immigration Gestapo had all the facts about Sokol's case months before. They were trying to squeeze out of the dying worker some information that would help them to frame others. Sokol, a true fighter to the last, refused to discuss anything.

Keech

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the Sarver Coal Co., which operates two mines, said he had signed a "Kentucky agreement" with the union with a proviso that it would terminate upon signing of a national agreement.

The company was the first member of the Western Pennsylvania Coal Operators Association to make the break.

Keech again rejected the union's dismissal motion, and the union's third trial on the same charges began moving with certainty toward conviction of the miners and huge fines against their union. In the other two trials, the UMW paid \$2,130,000 in fines.

Twice during the slow moving court proceedings, the Government stopped its case abruptly. The first time it was to call UMW secretary-treasurer John Owens to court. His appearance was later put off until Tuesday afternoon. The second time it was to go into Keech's private chambers for a legal argument on the evidence introduced by the Government.

DEBATE EVIDENCE

Hopkins had prevented the introduction of President Truman's statement setting up a fact-finding board under the Taft-Hartley Law, and the fact-finders' report made eight days later. Keech said he would rule tomorrow on whether those documents would be admitted as evidence against the union.

Throughout most of the afternoon, the Government presented 10 coal operators or representatives of coal associations to testify that no miners had worked since

Feb. 6. They were all asked the same questions read from a type-written sheet by a U. S. attorney, and made the same answers. One of the witnesses was a representative of the Bureau of Mines, who said his statistics revealed that coal production was 80 percent under normal since Feb. 6.

PARLEY POSTPONED

The beginning of the union's trial did not halt the bargaining sessions conducted by union officials and operators. After a 12-hour session last night, the negotiators went back this morning briefly. They emerged with the announcement that negotiations had been postponed "indefinitely."

David Cole, chairman of the President's fact-finding board, said they would get together again "on an hour's notice." He said the postponement was taken to give Owens and Harvey Cartwright, Indiana operators' spokesman time to appear before Keech.

However, rumors that an agreement had been tentatively reached were soon flying around the coal operators' association headquarters and some union circles. They reached a height when George Love, chairman of the Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal Co., and chief operators' spokesman, said he was flying to Pittsburgh to confer with his board of directors. He said the directors were to hold a regular stockholders meeting, and that the coal negotiations would not be discussed.

No Government move to seize the mines within the next few days was apparent. Congressional leaders, emerging from conferences with President Truman this morning, said the President had not asked Congress to pass a mine seizure bill. House Speaker Sam Rayburn (D-Tex) said he thought that when the President asked for it, Congress would agree.

Pickets to Protest Cuts in Relief

A three-hour picket-line to protest relief cuts will be held tomorrow (Wednesday) at 3:30 in front of the Welfare Building, 902 Broadway, under the sponsorship of the Joint Action Committee of the Blind.

SAM WISEMAN

Sam was one of these common Americans who refused to believe that misery, hunger, unemployment and Jimcrow were inevitable or necessary. As a young man, he decided to fight for his country against these man-made evils. He became a Communist to become a better American, to show his love for his fellow-Americans by helping to lead their fight for happiness and peace.

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SAM WISEMAN

Devoted leader and fighter for the working class

Allerton Section,

Bronx County, Communist Party

Food for Miners

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one but our friends. You people are our friends."

One white miner said: "Those Pittsburgh papers didn't give us a pound of food. What right have they got to say anything against your paper. You help us; they don't."

Another white miner said: "We can't pay our friends back with food. But we can help the labor movement by keeping up the strike. The miners are going to beat this injunction."

The attacks on the food distributions and other actions in support of the miners have been increasing during the strike.

Those attacks have been accompanied with a violent smear campaign against the Communist Party.

The employers seek to divert the miners' attention from their struggle against the Taft-Hartley Act and to prejudice them against their own supporters.

This is an old device. But it isn't digging coal.

By GILES COOPER

PIKEVILLE, Ky., Feb. 27. — In the Big Sandy and Harlan coal fields of Kentucky thousands of grim miners are tightening their belts. They vow that no coal will come out of these hills until they have a contract.

Coal cars stand idle on every siding. An air of depression is everywhere, reminiscent of the early thirties. Businessmen say it is worse. No one is buying anything but food, and very little of that. Money is almost out of circulation. No one expects the strike to end soon. It was difficult to get any miner to comment on how his family was suffering. The standard reply was: "We stood it before, we can stand it again."

Most in need are those dependent on the Miners Welfare Fund. Payments to them stopped about six months ago. Because the men getting welfare-fund money were disabled and unable to work, they got no credit at company stores, and very little from others. A few were aided by infrequent donations of food from local unions; but now the treasuries of most locals are exhausted. The Salvation Army is helping some, but relief, and agencies dispensing it, are almost non-existent.

However there is some talk that soup kitchens will be installed in Harlan, Evarts and various other places. Stores giving credit have cut the amount to \$3 or less a week, depending upon the size of families.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Feb. 27.

—Thousands of dollars worth of groceries are being donated to striking miners by the union in the Birmingham industrial area. CIO, AFL, and independent locals have given groceries and formed committees to collect food.

The steel workers have sent several truck loads of groceries. Local 1013 donated \$5,000 worth of food. Local 2122 gave \$2,000. The coke-plant Local 2405 gave \$400, and a smaller local, No. 2873, contributed \$100. The red ore miners have set up committees and have contributed funds.

Local 109 of the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers gave \$500. Other Mine-Mill locals contributing were Local 529, \$61; Local 154, \$41.30; and Local 157, \$50.

The AFL Painters and Carpenters unions have given groceries. The Alabama Communist Party sent a load of food to one of the largest mine union locals in this area. When the local president thanked Sam Hall, chairman of the party, Hall answered: "It is to you miners that thanks should be given by every worker for the way in which you are fighting for labor's cause."

A handbill calling upon unions, churches, social and fraternal organizations to support the miners was circulated by the Alabama Communist Party.

40 Picket Arrival of Puerto Rico Governor

A picket line of 40, braving yesterday's sub-freezing weather, picketed the Puerto Rican Labor Office at 1881 Broadway to protest the arrival of Luis Munoz Marin, Governor of Puerto Rico.

The pickets, called by the Puerto Rican Provisional Unity Committee, demanded that the Caribbean island be given its independence. Munoz Marin was reported to be going to Washington from here where he was to confer on a constitution for Puerto Rico which would freeze its colonial status.

Rev. Melish

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mustered behind Rev. Melish included clergymen from every Episcopal diocese in the U. S. and such overseas dioceses as Alaska, Haiti, Hawaii, Mexico and the Panama Canal Zone. Statistics of the Episcopal Church reveal 6,547 clergymen on the roster for 1950, thus making more than one of every six ministers actively supporting Rev. Melish.

The eight bishops were:

Rt. Rev. Lane W. Barton, Missionary Bishop of Eastern Oregon, Bend, Ore.; Rt. Rev. Lloyd R. Craighill, retired Missionary Bishop of Anking, China, Ventnor, N. J.; Rt. Rev. Theodore R. Ludlow, Suffragan Bishop of Newark; Rt. Rev. Walter Mitchell, Retired Missionary Bishop of Arizona, Rano Santa Fe, Calif.; Rt. Rev. Arthur W. Moulton, Retired Missionary Bishop of Utah, Salt Lake City; Rt. Rev. Edward L. Parsons, Retired Bishop of California, San Francisco; Rt. Rev. John Moore Walker, Bishop of Atlanta, Atlanta; Rt. Rev. John Chandler White, Retired Bishop of Springfield, Springfield, Ill.

"The two issues with which we are concerned," said Prof. Fletcher's affidavit, "are the freedom of the ministry and the security of tenure of the minister against dissolution of his pastoral relationship contrary to the expressed wishes of a majority of his congregation."

The striking miners need food. You can help by making a contribution through the Daily Worker, 50 E. 13 St., or the nearest Communist Party headquarters.

Medina

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viting people to serve as honorary sponsors:

"The distinguished personal service performed by Judge Medina in the cause of freedom, is hard to overestimate." This, it is said, clearly underscores the charge that Medina did not serve as a "fair and impartial judge" at the Communist trial.

People close to the trial see the group sponsoring this dinner as the foremost protagonists of the Smith "dangerous-thoughts" law. The red-baiters are honoring Medina for his Foley Square findings which help promote the Smith law against all dissidents to governmental policy.

Judge Medina, belatedly recognizing all these damaging implications by his acceptance of the "honor," did his best to put a good face on it.

"Circumstances now are such," he wrote, in explaining why he would not attend, "that inevitably I and perhaps the Federal judiciary of which I am a part, would appear to be taking sides in a matter tried before me and now pending on appeal despite the fact that I was scrupulously impartial throughout the recent trial." Medina termed his acceptance "a mistake."

The shabbiness of the entire business is exposed however by the fact that Attorney General McGrath will speak at the dinner to honor him.

The signal went down throughout the ranks in this affair and Dulles commented publicly "I would not do anything that was in conflict with Judge Medina's ideas on the proprieties of the matter."

In other words, "observe the proprieties" but full speed ahead on the Smith Law for all who disagree with World War III, and railroad the Communists to jail.



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MORNING

9:00-WOR-Breakfast Club
WJZ-This is New York
WNYC-Masterpiece Hour
9:15-WNBC-Norwood Brokenshire
WGBS-Meet the Menzies
9:30-WOR-Food-Aldred W. McCann
WQXR-Plains Personalities
9:45-WNBC-Wayne Howell Show
WGBS-Missus Goss A-Shoppping
WQXR-Composers Varieties
10:00-WNBC-Welcome Travelers
WGBS-Heavy Gladstone
WJZ-My True Story
WQXR-Ming Crosby Show
WQXR-Morning Melodies
10:15-WOR-Maria Deane Program
WGBS-Arthur Godfrey Show
10:30-WNBC-Marrage for Two
WJZ-Betty Crocker Magazine
WNYC-Health Talk
10:45-WNBC-Dorothy Day
WJZ-Victor Lindahl
11:00-WNBC-We Love and Learn
WGBS-News
WJZ-Adelphi Seminars
WQXR-News Alma Lettingus
11:15-WNBC-Dave Garraway Show
WGBS-Rudy Vallee Show
11:30-WJZ-Alex Berni
WJZ-Quiz Program
WQXR-Grand Slam
WQXR-Violin Personalities
11:45-WNBC-David Harum
WGBS-Flowerman
WOR-Kate Smith Sing
WQXR-Luncheon Concert

AFTERNOON

12:00-WNBC-News Roundup
WGBS-Kate Smith
WJZ-Ladies Be Seated
WGBS-Wendy Warren-Sketch
WNYC-Midday Symphony
WQXR-News: Luncheon Concert
12:15-WNBC-Norman Brokenshire
WOR-Rod Henderson Show
12:30-WOR-News: Luncheon at Sardi's
WJZ-Herb Sheldon
WGBS-News Trest
12:45-WNBC-Our Old Sunday
WJZ-News
WGBS-Sig Gussie
WNYC-George Antheil music
WQXR-News: Midday symphony
1:15-WJZ-Nancy Craig
WGBS-Me Picking
1:30-WOR-Hollywood Theatre
WGBS-Young Dr. Malone
1:45-WNBC-Guiding Light
WNYC-News: Weather Report
2:00-WNBC-Doubt or Nothing
WJZ-Ladies Fair
WJZ-Welcome to Hollywood
WGBS-Second Mrs. Burton
WQXR-News: Record Review
2:15-WNBC-Perry Mason
2:30-WNBC-Today's Children
WOR-Queen for a Day
WJZ-Hannah Cobb
WGBS-Nora Drake
WQXR-Curtain at 3:30
WNYC-Symphonic Matinee
2:45-WNBC-Light of the World
WGBS-The Brighter Day
WQXR-Musical Specialties
3:00-WNBC-Life Can Be Beautiful
WGBS-Second Honeymoon
WJZ-Bride and Groom
WGBS-Nona, Sketch
3:15-WNBC-Head of Life
WGBS-Second Honeymoon
WGBS-Billie Holiday
3:30-WNBC-Pepper Young
WJZ-Choral Singers
WGBS-Answer Man
WGBS-House Party
3:45-WNBC-Right to triumph
WJZ-Pick a Date: Buddy Rogers
WQXR-Record Rarities
4:00-WNBC-Backstage Wife, Sketch
WGBS-Barbara Wells, Show
WJZ-Surprise Package
WGBS-Garry Moore Show
WNYC-Disk Date, Records
WQXR-Record Album
4:15-WNBC-Stella Dallas, Sketch
4:30-WNBC-Lorena Jones, Sketch
WGBS-Dean Cameron Show
WJZ-Happy Landing
4:45-WNBC-Younger Wilder Brown
WJZ-People Fast Barons

RADIO HIGHLIGHTS
Tuesday, Feb. 23

PM

8:30-Music for the Connoisseur.
WNYC.
9:00-Bob Hope Show. WNBC.
9:00-America's Town Meeting.
WJZ.
9:30-Fibber McGee and Molly.
WNBC.
TV
8:00-Milton Berle show. WNBC.
8:00-Court of Current Issues.
WABD.
8:55-Basketball (Saton Hall-
Georgetown). WATV.
9:00-WNBC-When a Girl Marries
WOR-Straight Arrow, Sketch
WJZ-Green Hornet
WGBS-Queen Dicks
WNYC-American Composers
9:15-WNBC-Portia Faces Life
WQXR-Record Review
9:30-WNBC-Just Plain Bill
WGBS-Bits and Pieces
WJZ-Jack Armstrong
WOR-B-Bar B-Ranch
WQXR-Cocktail Time
9:45-WNBC-Front Page Parade
EVENING
9:00-WNBC-Kenneth Sanghart
WOR-Lyle Van
WJZ-News
WGBS-Eric Sevareid
WQXR-Dance Theatre
WNYC-UN Story
9:15-WNBC-Sports
WOR-On the Century
WJZ-Johnny Thompson
WNYC-Income Tax
9:30-WNBC-Henry Morgan
WOR-News: Yuletide
WNYC-Mental Health
WQXR-Dinner Concert
9:45-WNBC-Three Star Extra
WOR-Stan Lomax
WGBS-Lowell Thomas
7:00-WNBC-Sinatra, Songs
WOR-Fulton Lewis Jr.
WJZ-Erwin C. Hill
WGBS-Deulah
WNYC-Masterpiece Hour
WQXR-News: On Stage
7:05-WJZ-Headline Edition
1:15-WNBC-News of the World
WOR-Answer Man
WJZ-News
WGBS-Jack Smith Show
7:30-WNBC-To Ricker, Play
WJZ-Counter-Spy, Sketch
WOR-Gabriel Heatter
WGBS-Club 15-Varley
WQXR-Much Ado About Music
7:45-WOR-Bill Lane
WGBS-Larry Lussur
8:00-WNBC-Carnegie of America
WOR-Cisco Kid
WJZ-Carnegie Hall
WGBS-Mystery Theatre
WQXR-News: Symphony Hall
8:30-WNBC-Fannie Brice Show
WJZ-Men of the Press
WGBS-Mr. and Mrs. North
WNYC-Concert
WOR-Official Detective
8:45-WNBC-Bob Hope Show
WOR-Mystery Is My Hobby
WGBS-Life with Luigi
WJZ-America's Town Meeting
9:00-WNBC-Fibber McGee and Molly
WOR-Mysterious Traveler-Sketch
WGBS-Snapshots-Sketch
WJZ-Erwin Canham, News
WQXR-Record Rarities
9:45-WJZ-We Care
10:00-WNBC-Sig Tovey Sketch
WOR-Frank Edwards, Comment
WGBS-Phillip Marlowe, Sketch
WQXR-The Showcase
10:15-WOR-Capitol All Debates
10:30-WNBC-W JZ, WGBS-Opening
of 1949 R. A. A. Campaign: Pres.
Truman and others.

Around the Dial:

Art Form of Edward Lear Basis of New Radio Show

By Bob Lauter

THE LOWLY LIMERICK, which Edward Lear did so much to popularize as an ideal poetic form for humor and nonsense, is the basis of the new WOR Limerick Show (Thursday, 9 p.m.).

To anyone who has read one of a million contest ads offering untold wealth for the last line to a limerick, the form of the program will be familiar. One guest and two regulars compete. They are given the first four lines to a limerick, and their job is to add the fifth line. It takes considerable ingenuity in rhyming and in gibberish.

The program is pleasant enough in a harmless sort of way (barring such incidents as the one in which someone resorted to a chauvinist "dialect" line in order to complete a jingle). It is entertaining for a little while, but it is certainly no program which will offer anyone extended satisfaction.

A READER WRITES, "I have just finished reading your column on the end of the Arthur Gaeth series on WJZ. My doubt as to the reason of his removal is still not entirely dissolved. Was he removed by the network or has the UE failed to buy his program?"

My information is that the UE did not renew their contract for the Gaeth series. According to the union, Gaeth was not thrown off by WJZ-ABC. It was, rather, the work of one of capital's "labor" lieutenants, James Carey, and his disruptive work with the IUE (imitation UE).

Faced with consolidating its strength and holding the line against the Carey splitters, the UE has been forced to conserve its fi-

nances for the immediate job of keeping a fighting union in the field.

Thus one of the by-products of Carey's work is that he has deprived radio audiences of hearing one of the very few honest spokesmen for labor on the air. Gaeth's enforced vacation is a blow at every trade union in the United States. The networks have squeezed

most progressives off the air. Now Carey does it for them.

CAN IT BE TRUE that Red Barber is already in Vero Beach, Fla., to cover the Brooklyn Dodgers in Spring training? Despite the weather, are we that close to opening day?

We'll have to change that song from "June in January" to "April in February."

Theatre

Let Morning Rise by Hope Her, a play about the struggle of war-time Poland against Nazism and anti-Semitism will be presented at the Masters Institute Auditorium, 103 St. & Riverside Drive, Thursday, Friday, Saturday evening, March 2-3-4. The play is being presented in conjunction with ANTA's International Theatre Month designated for March for the purpose of bringing about international cooperation through the theatre.

Let Morning Rise has been directed by John Cosgrove and the cast includes Carl Low, Nina Varela, Ilona Ricardo, Eugene Paul, Billy Greene and Charles Durning. Tickets are available at the offices of Playarte which may be reached by telephone at PL 8-1547 (20 E. 53 St. 4th floor.)

Topical Theatre, successor to Stage For Action, is looking for actors and actresses. Lack of experience is no bar. Plenty of parts in vital, hard-hitting plays are waiting to be filled. Three short plays for presentation before people's audiences are now in rehearsal with others ready to start. For further details call CH 3-5074 between 10 and 12 in the morning and 8 to 10 at night.

Art

The internationally known paintings by Ralph Dubin, being shown at the Charles-Fourth Gallery (51 Charles St.) may be generally characterized as "pure art." Dubin is a fine colorist, a skilled arranger of forms on a surface, and one who has the ability to create both bold exciting decorative patterns and delicate whimsical compositions. But what is the message of his art? Can one be content with just aesthetic elements of a picture?

Dubin has drawn inspiration from contemporary life, only to subordinate it to a personal subjectivism. Aspects of the real world are lifted out of context and meaning to become reflections of the artist's private preoccupations with properties of design.

It is regrettable that an artist of Ralph Dubin's talent does not attempt to breach the gulf between life and art.-C.C.

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MOVIE GUIDE

- Excellent**
- Good**
- THE BICYCLE THIEF.** Another fine film by Vittorio De Sica, the maker of *Shoe Shines*. Manhattan-World Theatre.
- IVAN PAVLOV.** An interesting science film on the life of the Soviet scientist. Manhattan-Little Carnegie.
- THE TYRAN.** Worth seeing for its shots of Michael Angelo's sculpture. Manhattan-Little Carnegie.
- TIGHT LITTLE ISLAND.** What happens to an island of the Hebrides when its supply of Scotch runs out. Manhattan-Trans-Lux 6th St.
- RED SHOES.** Distinguished by a fine ballet sequence. Manhattan-Sijou.
- QUARTET.** Polished and witty stories of Somerset Maugham. Manhattan-Art.
- SYMPHONY OF LIFE.** The Soviet film about a musician, on the same bill with *The Idiot*. Manhattan-Irving Place.
- THE FIDDLER AND THE LADY.** A light Italian comedy with a fine sinuous, insinuating performance by Aldo Fabrizi, on the same bill with *O Sole Mio* with *The Cobbler*. Manhattan-City.
- CINDERELLA.** Walt Disney's animation of the fairy tale has included some charming animal characters, fine for children. Manhattan-Mayfair.
- BETWEEN ELEVEN AND MIDNIGHT.** Louis Jourvet gives a suave performance in a better than average murder mystery. Manhattan-36th Street Playhouse.
- THE MUSEUM OF MODERN ART FILM LIBRARY.** A group of short early D. W. Griffiths films.
- STAGE FRONT.** An entertaining and pleasant murder mystery with some fine British actors, directed by Alfred Hitchcock. Manhattan-Music Hall.
- ADAMS RIB.** A group of expert performers make some hilarious moments of Karin Gordon script. Manhattan-Embassy Cinema, Normandie, 69th St. Playhouse, Brooklyn-Kent.
- THE AFFAIR BLUM.** A fine German film whose story of the frame-up of a Jew makes for a cool, brilliant study of the sources of Nazism. Manhattan-Gramercy.
- CINDERELLA.** Walt Disney's full length animation of the fairy tale, frequently delightful and certainly fine for children. Manhattan-Mayfair.
- THE WENCE.** An interesting French movie about a country girl on the same bill with *DeDee*. Manhattan-Squire.
- THE FIRST FRONT.** An important political document, the story of the defensive war for Stalingrad. Manhattan-Thalia.
- WOMAN TROUBLE.** A light Italian comedy distinguished by a wonderful performance by Anna Magnani, on the same bill with the French film *Tainted* with Pierre Fresnay. Manhattan-Apollo.

Skip

THE RED DANUBE. Occary stander about the Soviet Union's policy in Austria.

Ted Tinsley Says

How to Make Ends Overlap

"WHEN WE WERE MARRIED I had \$76 in the bank and a job at \$100 a week." With these ominous words, Michael Armstrong begins an article in This Week called "Miracle Budget."

I MUST ADMIT that I wasn't a sympathetic audience for Mr. Armstrong, since I earned \$25 a week when I got married, and the only time I went into a bank was to steal a blotter. I soon discovered that Mr. Armstrong and his wife ran into a lot of trouble. They bought a radio-phonograph combination on time, and a set of Wedgewood crockery on time. Ghastly poverty was settling upon them. They fought over money matters.

As soon as I read of their first fight, I thought of the solution immediately. They should get divorced. A kindly court would undoubtedly give Mrs. Armstrong custody of the Wedgewood, and Mr. Armstrong could visit the radio-phonograph combination once a week (on Saturday afternoons). He could even take it to the zoo.

But the Armstrongs settled matters differently. They devised a "miracle budget." This is a budget on a brand new principle. It makes it possible for anybody who earns anything to make ends meet. The "miracle budget" calls for savings on a percentage basis. You save three percent by buying a different brand of bread, two percent by taking a different bus line (Mr. Armstrong is no New Yorker), four percent by buying green eggs instead of white or brown. You wear your good clothes 11 percent less, and—well, on it goes! This is the great new principle of percentage budgeting!

THIS "MIRACLE BUDGET" puts you 18 percent ahead, unless you happen to break an ankle, in which case you will fall 87 percent behind. But why be grim?

I have carried Mr. Armstrong's percentage principle much further. This year I have set myself a number of goals. First of all, I have decided to shrink four percent. (I have not been sanctioned.) If the shrinkage is all-around, my stomach should hold four percent less food. It will take my hair longer to reach the length at which I always get a haircut because the shrinkage will increase the distance from my scalp to the ends of my hair.

FURTHERMORE, I am going to sleep 10 percent less per night. This will leave me 20 percent more tired every day, and will drive my appetite down still further. I am going to pay 10 percent less rent and get evicted 30 percent sooner than otherwise. I am going to read 90 percent fewer articles on budgeting, which may save me the expense of eyeglasses some day. I am only going to use 40 percent of my teeth in chewing. This will reduce my dental bills, which I won't have to pay anyway because my dentist is shrinking 60 percent this year. A little fellow like that doesn't need money.

I am not even going to buy any Wedgewood.

If only we could cut the average life span by 25 percent, the over-all cost of living would drop sharply!

Now I am going to take my four percent smaller stomach to the kitchen (which just can't be any smaller), and eat 62 percent of my lunch.

OUTSTANDING NEGRO ARTISTS TO BE HONORED SUNDAY MAR. 5

The Committee for the Negro Arts, which for the past three years has been working for full integration of Negro artists into all forms of American culture and combatting racial stereotypes, is holding a Sunday Brunch in honor of outstanding Negro artists. Each of the artists being honored will be presented with a scroll citing the contribution to his field. Frank Silvera, star of "Anna Lucasta", will serve as toastmaster.

The Brunch will take place on Sunday March 5 at 12:30 P. M., at the Manhattan Towers Hotel. Among the artists to be honored are Lawrence Brown, composer and arranger; Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, eminent writer and historian; James Edwards, star of the film Home of the Brave; Hope Foye, singer, recently of the musical Dance Me A Song; Shirley Graham, author of Your Most Humble Servant and other works; Langston Hughes, the noted poet and librettist; Paul Robeson, baritone and one of the founders of the Committee; Frank Silvera; Fredi Washington, stage and screen actress; Charles White, the artist, whose one man show closed at the ACA Gallery on February 25; Mary Lou Williams, composer and arranger; Theodore Ward, playwright, author of Our Lan' and Janet Collins, dancer.

Ernest Cichlow, chairman of CNA, in announcing the Brunch, stated, "Negro artists who have made lasting contributions to the American cultural scene, except for a select few, are largely noted by the general public. It is with great difficulty that they reach audiences. The struggle to exist is immediate and ever-present, ready access to radio, film, stage and other media is consciously denied them. If this is true for the Negro artist of experience and reputation, it is doubly so in re-



JAMES EDWARDS

gard to the unknown and struggling artist.

The Committee, through this Brunch, will point up the contributions of the listed artists and give encouragement to those Negro artists who are still unrecognized. We strive to develop and bring to the public and producers the talent that exists among Negroes and create conditions for its fruition and utilization in a dignified manner.

April 1, 1936, is the deadline for the submission of entries in the World Peace Committee's contest for the best published works (books, films, works of art) which most effectively contribute to peace between the nations. Three prizes of five million francs (\$15,000) are being awarded and all works produced since 1945 are eligible. The prizes, to be awarded yearly, were established by the World Congress of the Defenders of Peace held last spring.

Books:

John Hersey's Novel Of the Warsaw Ghetto

By Robert Friedman

IT IS A DOUBLE burden that an author assumes when he attempts fictional re-creation of a contemporary event which has already become an epic in men's

THE WALL, by John Hersey. Knopf. New York. 632 pp. \$4.

yes. For such a work requires not only dignity, and stature but a scope and historical accuracy which do no violence to the facts.

Such a theme is the Warsaw Ghetto, taken by John Hersey for his subject in his ambitious new novel, The Wall.

The story of the ghetto is a terrible and a familiar one. A half-million Jews, crowded into the Polish capital, forced by the Nazis to build their own ghetto wall, herded into an area fit for a fifth of their number, and then systematically destroyed in the near-by Treblinka death camp.

Hersey has told the story of the Ghetto from the building of the wall to the final heroic battle of a handful of Jewish survivors with the Nazis, through the time-honored device of "editing the archives" collected and preserved by a fictional Warsaw scholar, Noach Levinson. It is through the Levinson diaries that the Ghetto's destruction unfolds.

The life of Warsaw's Jews, the attempted "adjustment" to a regime of terror and sudden death are told through the experiences of those persons Levinson knows as a functionary of the Judenrat (the Jewish administrative apparatus through which German orders were transmitted) and as underground fighter.

THE WALL is undoubtedly a considerable achievement, a skillful adaptation by this American novelist to an idiom and way of life alien to him. More, no novel which gives anything of the terrible destruction of Warsaw Jewry or of their heroism could fail to provide interest and deserve merit.



JOHN HERSEY

This The Wall does, and it is worthy of note that Hersey's is the first novel to be produced here on this theme which ranks with Stalingrad as one of the mighty ones of our time.

But when all this is said, the question must still be asked whether Hersey's novel has measured up to the dual obligation indicated at the outset of this review. In the opinion of this reviewer, it has not.

Basically, the story of The Wall is not Jew versus Nazi, but rather Jew versus Jew, or man against himself. To a degree this inward concentration is successful. It permits the slow, accumulative process of unfolding horrors, without which the reader might be numbed and stupefied long before the climactic chapters of the uprising. It permits the most detailed examination of the manner in which individual members of the Jewish community met the Nazi occupation.

BUT, ONE FEELS that the author has sacrificed too much in his exclusion (except in a few instances) of the actual points of contact between the Germans and their Jewish victims. Hate, burning hate for the fascists are rarely given expression. The onus for the

Jews' failure to survive and triumph is thus almost placed on their own shoulders, so one-sided is the emphasis on internal Ghetto life. And although the author does not hide the practical utility of the final uprising, he does not provide a large enough historical canvass to explain how and why the development of the war and the nature of Polish society, doomed Warsaw Jewry.

Nor is the nature of that war, in which the Warsaw Ghetto was but one battle no matter how tragically large it looms, illuminated in The Wall. No one would know from it how passionately the Warsaw Jews seized upon the news of Soviet triumphs.

UNITY PLAYS a large part in The Wall. The author spells out in detail the delay in forging that unity among the diverse ghetto groupings. But, though he formally lists the Communists (Polish Workers Party) as part of the eventually united underground, he has failed to tell the whole story. It was the program submitted by the PPR (Communists) which was adopted by the Ghetto underground, and Communist leaders from outside the ghetto made daily visits, supplying arms and instruction. But this is not in The Wall.

The Wall is undoubtedly John Hersey's best work to date. Despite its indicated weaknesses, the scope of this novel, the boldness and maturity demonstrated in his tackling such a theme, and the fact that it speaks for humanism and a unity of all groups against fascism—all this marks the emergence of John Hersey as a novelist of stature.

But the theme of the Warsaw Ghetto still awaits its great interpreter, one who will fuse into his novel all the elements of historical grasp and accuracy, a passionate hatred of fascism and a full-blooded comprehension of the life, the tragedy and the greatness of the Jewish people.

NEW H-BOMB PAMPHLET EXPOSES WARMONGERS

New Century Publishers have announced that it is rushing to press with a new pamphlet, Hell-Bomb or Peace?, by Joseph Clark, Foreign Editor of the Daily Worker, price 2 cents.

Designed for mass distribution, the new pamphlet is scheduled to appear at the end of this week in a popular pocket-size format in an initial printing of 500,000 copies. The New York State organization of the Communist Party has placed an order for a quarter million copies to bring the fighting message.

Hell-Bomb or Peace? exposes the criminal war policy of U. S. imperialism revealed in Secretary of State Acheson's public declaration that agreements with the Soviet Union have no meaning unless they are backed up by force, and anyway "you can't trust the Russians."

Clark analyzes all the frightful implications of Truman's decision to proceed with the manufacture of the dread Hydrogen - Bomb which, as pointed out by Prof. Albert Einstein, can lead to "annihilation of all life on the face of the earth." He shows what scientists have already acknowledged—that the USSR is fully capable of producing the H-Bomb, just as they mastered the "secrets" of atomic weapons, and that "security" based on ever more frightful instruments of destruction is a disastrous illusion.

THE PAMPHLET also stresses the repeated offers of the USSR for abolition of atomic weapons and a system of control and inspection under UN authority, which the Truman administration has



stubbornly rejected while clinging to its own Baruch Plan.

The author reveals that a groundswell of protest is rising on all sides, both in the U. S. and abroad, against the rule-or-ruin Hell-Bomb policy of Big Business which threatens all mankind. He calls on the American people to speak out and act vigorously for peace, to join with all other peace-loving people to defeat the criminal aims of the warmongers.

The widespread circulation of this lively, hard-hitting, pamphlet will strengthen the fight for peace. Orders should be rushed in to New Century Publishers.

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Charter Records announces the release of the famed Unemployment Compensation Blues recorded by "Boots" with instrumental backing featuring Pete Seeger and Fred Hellerman.

Written by Les Pine, the super satire of red-tape and the run-around facing people trying to collect unemployment insurance is well timed to socially expose government attitude on this problem. As the singer puts it, "I've got those It's - so - easy - to - collect - when - your - name - is - Chiang - Kai - Shek - Blues."

The song, which is a great Hootenanny favorite from coast to coast, is backed with Pete Seeger singing the traditional No Irish Need Apply, revealing the discrimination against Irish workers in the not too distant past in this country.

A standard 10-inch, non-breakable disc, the record retails at progressive book and record stores for 79c. For further information contact Charter Records, 267 W. 69, N. Y. C.

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ST. JOHNS, DUQUESNE, BRADLEY IN TOURNEY

First 3 Accept for 12-Team NIT—See Thursday Decisive for LIU, CCNY

By Lester Rodney

St. Johns of Brooklyn, Bradley of Peoria and Duquesne of Pittsburgh supply the first three basketball teams for this year's 12-team National Invitation Tourney opening in the Garden on March 11. All three were invited and accepted yesterday and further announcements will be flowing from the invitation committee regularly from now on.

St. Johns has a record of 21 and 4, having lost three games to New York teams, CCNY, Fordham and Brooklyn, one to De Paul, and otherwise moved successfully through a schedule including such national powers as Kentucky, San Francisco, Washington State (leading the Northern Pacific), Canisius and Niagara. Like all the New York teams, which came to an early peak for the Garden inter-

TOMORROW

Why not West Virginia State, Colored Intercollegiate AA, champs, in the basketball tourney? The school's case and the coaches comment.

sectional schedule, they have tailed off somewhat but will be expected to snap back for the big event.

Bradley, rated by many the top team in the land and certainly one of the nicest to watch, has won 25 and lost 3 in a tough schedule. They romped over Manhattan in their Garden appearance. The Peorians are winning the Missouri Valley Conference (St. Louis, Oklahoma A&M et al) race with ease, and this sets up the possibility of their doubling up in the NIT and NCAA tourneys. The eight team NCAA, based on regions, follows the NIT.

Duquesne will come into the tourney with the finest record of all, having won 22 and lost but one, that to Toledo. They beat LIU in the Garden impressively and hold two wins over Cincinnati in an otherwise minor league schedule. They too, are considered in the running for a double-up job, as likely candidates for the NCAA nomination from District Two, which include New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

Chances are both Bradley and Duquesne will be among the four seeded teams which will draw a bye in the first day's play. Their acceptance brings into the tourney such favorites as Paul Unruh and the wizardous 5-8 pivot manipulator Gene Melchiorre for Bradley, and Charley Cooper and Bill Dahler of Duquesne.

While the committee does not discuss anything except actual acceptances, the failure to name LIU and CCNY indicates that those two locals, which have tailed off recently though their overall record still seems to indicate a bid, might be judged off Thursday night's twin bill in which LIU meets formidable Hamline and CCNY plays Manhattan in a tough intra-city battle.

Others expected to trickle in shortly include La Salle of Philly, Kentucky, Western Kentucky and possibly six times beaten San Francisco on the fact they are defending champs of the event.

The only definite teams in the NCAA are Holy Cross for District One and Ohio State for District Four, neither of which is a possibility for the invitation.

Chatting With The Coaches . .

"The boys are just tired," said Clair Bee yesterday as we chatted about the LIU slump. "They had to come up early for big teams coming into the Garden, they played without much substitution, put on some tremendous ballgames, and just about now get down. . . . Some of the teams looking so good now are the ones were taking their lumps earlier. They count the whole season in a baseball race, not one part of it. Anyhow, one thing about a tourney—if you get into it. Once it starts, nobody, including the coach, knows what's going to happen."

Other local coaches present subscribed to the same thought of early peaking. "We have to put on a good show as soon as the Garden opens in December," St. Johns mentor McGuire commented. "We had to rush our development for Kentucky by December 15 and we beat them. Same for CCNY and LIU. But anyhow, New York basketball is on the upgrade and don't think it won't be even better next year!"

John Wiethe, coach of Cincinnati, says big Larry Foust ruined his team at Philly Saturday night, tipping in five or six missed fouls among other things. "Somehow we couldn't come up after the LIU game, everything seemed anti-climatic. And after playing in Philly we really could appreciate to fine officiating in New York. We had scouted LIU and I must say they played a lot better against other teams than against us."

Sat next to the scouting La Salle coach, Ken Loeffler, last Thursday night as he watched Cincinnati beat LIU, and among other things he said of interest, when I asked him which tourney he favored, "I tell you one thing. I'd be less worried in the NCAA. We know we can beat Holy Cross, North Carolina State, and Ohio State, but in the Invitation, with Bradley, Kentucky, Western Kentucky and those teams it's murder."—L. R.

Yanks Sign Rook, Leave for St. Pete

The New York Yankees announced the signing of rookie infielder Al Martin yesterday, leaving seven of their World Champions still unsigned. The Yankees obtained Martin, along with outfielder Jackie Jensen, from Oakland of the Pacific Coast league last fall.

The vanguard of the New York squad left by train for the club's St. Petersburg, Fla., training camp yesterday afternoon.

Third baseman Billy Johnson, another of the team's unsatisfied players, will join the advance group. Other "name" Yankees still unsigned are pitchers Vic Raschi and Tommy Byrne, catcher Yogi Berra and third baseman Bobby Brown.

VETS, YOUTH ASK REAL RING PROBE

Demands for boxing safeguards to prevent more ring deaths began to hit boxing officials yesterday as the District Attorney's office said it had "completed hearings" and would announce its findings later in the week. Assistant DA Monaghan yesterday questioned his last witness, John Abood, manager of Laverne Roach, who died Thursday after being KO'd at the St. Nick's Wednesday night.

Veterans of World War Two, meeting in executive session, passed a resolution demanding a real probe into the cause of the death of the ex-marine, and went on record as favoring the use of headguards which "has been proved in experimental bouts and gym training." They said, "veterans are boxers and boxing fans who enjoy rigorous sport but we insist death in the ring must be stopped."

Joseph Chouake, sports director of the far flung Federation of East Side Clubs, released a protest to Governor Dewey on behalf of East Side Youth, saying in part, "A real probe would indicate negligence and reveal inadequate rules protecting those who make boxing their livelihood. Roach, who complained of sharp pains in his nose . . . requested a postponement. He was turned down despite the merciless pounding by the late Marcel Cerdan, which gross mismanagement forced him into two year retirement."

Starting Tom'w!

AMERICAN LEAGUE				
Club	Camp	Manager	'49	Finish
New York	St. Petersburg, Fla.	Casey Stengel	1	
Boston	Sarasota, Fla.	Joe McCarthy	2	
Cleveland	Tucson, Ariz.	Lou Boudreau	3	
Detroit	Lakeland, Fla.	Red Rolfe	4	
Philadelphia	W. Palm Beach, Fla.	Connie Mack	5	
Chicago	Pasadena, Cal.	Jack Onslow	6	
St. Louis	Burbank, Cal.	Zack Taylor	7	
Washington	Orlando, Fla.	*Bucky Harris	8	
NATIONAL LEAGUE				
Brooklyn	Vero Beach, Fla.	Burt Shotton	1	
St. Louis	St. Petersburg, Fla.	Eddie Dyer	2	
Philadelphia	Clearwater, Fla.	Eddie Sawyer	3	
Boston	Bradenton, Fla.	Billy Southworth	4	
New York	Phoenix, Ariz.	Leo Durocher	5	
Pittsburgh	San Bernardino, Cal.	Billy Meyer	6	
Cincinnati	Tampa, Fla.	*Luke Sewell	7	
Chicago	Catalina, Cal.	Frank Frish	8	

*First season.

on the scoreboard

by lester rodney

A Busy Monday's Wash

THAT UNSWERVING DEFENDER of everything Branch Rickey says, does and thinks—Herb Goren of the Compass, formerly of the Sun—is agitated by the criticism of the \$13,000 salary parceled out to the league's best pitcher by the league's biggest money-making club.

After defending the Rickey practice of charging two admissions for "double-headers" several times a year, a practice under fire in the State Assembly, Goren complains, "Rickey gets it undeservedly on all sides. He has been hit by professional baiters for paying Don Newcombe, his second year pitcher, a measly \$13,000." And Goren goes on to triumphantly clinch his argument by citing the \$7,500 second year salary of Yankee Yogi Berra.

Just how you equate the first year of the National League's best pitcher with the first year of a then erratic, scatter armed catcher (whom they had to try to convert into an outfielder the next season) he doesn't explain.

If the man wants to make valid comparisons from the past (even though the buck went twice as far then and all salaries were lower) let him tell us how much Dizzy Dean and Bob Feller made their second year, not Yogi Berra.

THIS ANGRY LETTER arrived last Friday. Today is our first opportunity to get it in.

Feb. 23, 1950.

Dear Rodney:

I saw Lavern Roach murdered last night on television.

Yes, murdered; while an announcer drooled about "going out to buy a case of Ballantine's, Roach sat semi-conscious in his corner, buoyed up by his seconds and a most solicitous Dr. Nardiello, stethoscope in hand. The instrument of murder happened to be Georgie Small, but the perpetrators were unquestionably the New York State Boxing Commission, Dr. Vincent Nardiello and those newspapers—including the Daily Worker—which support this public brain-battering spectacle in the name of "sport."

It is a crying shame that a working class paper has not long since ended the mockery of writing about boxing in the United States as though it were anything less than organized murder for profit.

Roach, like scores before him, and, no doubt, scores who will come after, never had a chance. After a merciless battering in the eighth round, he was allowed to come out for a tenth round which saw him smashed to the canvas for the count of seven. Obviously critically hurt, he was allowed to continue until the final knock-down a few seconds later. There is no sense whatever in the death of this fine, 24-year-old fighter.

Yet the Daily Worker, blabbing about X-rays and more intensive physical examinations before fights, continues to pretend that inherently there is something worthwhile in the spectacle of two adults battering each other into insensibility, scrambling each others' brains for the gluttony of a promoter's pocketbook. Why not stop the hypocrisy now?

It is illegal in the U.S.A. for two roosters to meet in a public ring. Yet it is legal for two human beings to stand up and slug each other to death.

Under this system, or any other, this is wrong . . . a crying, inhuman pandering to the sadists who patronize the prize ring.

Yours sincerely, believe me,

NEWTON M.

WELL, WHAT DO our readers think? Just on the point of lumping the Daily Worker with the other papers in its attitude, writings and program toward the prize ring, I think that's not quite fair.

JIM PHILLIPS of New York, who took issue with our article asking whether there was a wage differential for Negro and white in the big leagues, comes in with a postcard: "Congratulations on your fighting and intelligent column on death of L. Roach," and expresses disappointment in the coverage of other papers.

AND RIGHT BEHIND that comes a letter from Art, 13, of Trenton, rapping Jim Phillips!

"Trenton, N. J.,
Feb. 23, 1950.

"Dear Lester Rodney:

"This is a reply to the letter on Jimcrow on the payroll. Jim Phillips, who would you rather have pitch for you, Hatten or Newcombe? Did the extra years on the Bums help you make your choice? If the salary of Peewee Reese were say \$40,000 or \$45,000, Rickey wouldn't have an excuse for Robinson's 35 G's. This accounts for some of the difference between Peewee and Boudreau.

"Argumentatively yours,

"ART, 13."

MORE LETTERS WAITING, that wondrous American League Red Book on the desk, but it's time to be dashing off to the basketball luncheon and find out who's invited to the annual Garden clambake.